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Speaking

If the maxim, "Good cooks make good eating," is translatable into decoration phraseology, then *Exterior Decoration Answers A Space Problem*, page 90 this month, can safely be called a *pièce de résistance*. Certainly the five designer-decorators and the landscape architectural firm who collaborated on the article are as distinguished a representation from their professions as could be assembled. It is a tribute to the importance of outdoor living that these experts have recognized the need to answer common exterior decoration problems.

JAMES AMSTER

JAMES AMSTER, who "exterior decorated" the first of the outdoor living areas, is a former president of the New York chapter of the A.I.D. His experience has included such diverse assignments as decorating an ocean liner, a world's fair, and the summer City Hall for a New York City Mayor.

MELANIE KAHANE

Also at the top of the decorating-designing field is **MELANIE KAHANE**, whose work has encompassed such widely different fields as homes, offices, restaurants, and exhibitions for industry. A leader in the use of color in decoration, Miss Kahane set a precedent not long ago when she became the first decorator to work and appear on color TV. No ivory tower decorator, Miss Kahane is a firm believer in the practical approach to decoration, learned it the natural way by once living on a farm, and by being a homemaker herself—with an active sixteen-year-old daughter and a family dog.

DORA BRAHMS

When the decorating profession received **DORA BRAHMS**, the musical world lost a promising light. Miss Brahms had already made her first tour as a concert pianist when she made up her mind that a career in decorating was what she really wanted. She has specialized chiefly in home decoration and her success has made her unusual as a developer of a "family clientele"—many of her clients today are the children of her earliest clients.

A Virginian by birth and a Connecticut Yankee by adoption, **C. EUGENE STEPHENSON** admits to no rules of region or period in decoration plans. One of his most notable

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characteristics professionally is his ability to blend modern and traditional elements effectively. In his work, Mr. Stephenson, also a past president of the A.I.D., is assisted greatly by his wife, Olive, who is capable of voicing more than a mere wifely opinion of her husband's work—she is a full-fledged A.I.D. member herself! Enthusiasm accounts for the Stephensons' prowess in the exterior decorating field: they are both devotees of outdoor living. While their business is primarily in the New York area, they commute eighty-five miles to their thirty-acre home in the country.

C. EUGENE STEPHENSON

WILLIAM PAHLMANN'S achievements have attracted international attention, and examples of his work are in many parts of the United States, in Canada, Cuba, and the Dominican Republic as well. In the design field he is well known for his many innovations in furniture, and he has many fabric and carpet designs to his credit. A former president of the New York Chapter of the A.I.D., he is now its Board Chairman.

WILLIAM PAHLMANN

All five of the outdoor living areas bear the distinguished stamp of the California firm of ECKBO, BOYSTON AND WILLIAMS who did the landscape planning. One partner whose forceful and inventive thinking contributed greatly to the plans is GARRETT ECKBO. A landscape specialist who holds a Masters degree in Landscape Architecture from Harvard, Mr. Eckbo has helped his firm establish a long record of outstanding work. Homes, public parks, commercial establishments, schools and colleges have been among his projects. The city of Long Beach, California, boasts no less than twenty-five schools displaying the firm's artistry!

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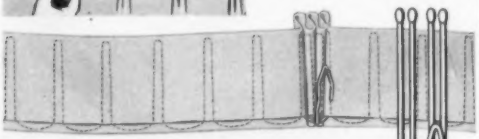

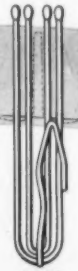

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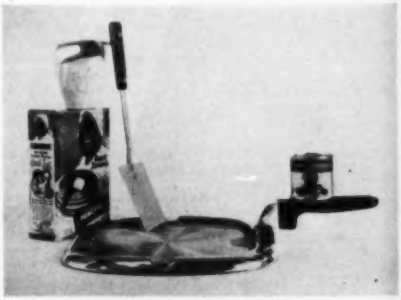
SCOTT HYDE

MANY ROADS TO ADVENTURE in food will be opened wide by an electric skillet, particularly one as versatile as this *Presto* model ($27.95). Equipped with seven heat adjustments, it will tackle assignments from chafing dish specialties to baking. With beauty as well as utility, skillet is perfect for "on-the-scene" cooking



HEARTY FARE has sealed many a happy marriage and to this end a good griddle can contribute mightily. With the numerous mixes now on the market, it is easy, even for a beginner, to make successful pancakes on the first try. A griddle should be heavy enough to insure even browning, and fit snugly over burner. *Magnalite* griddle by Wagner fits the bill: $7.25

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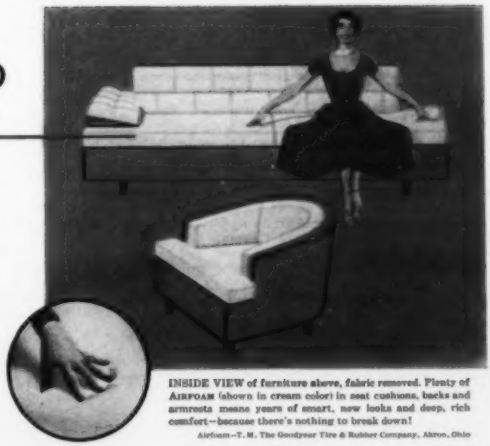

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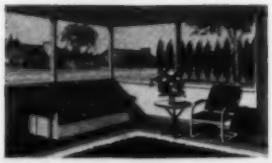

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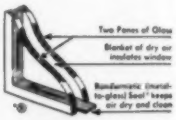

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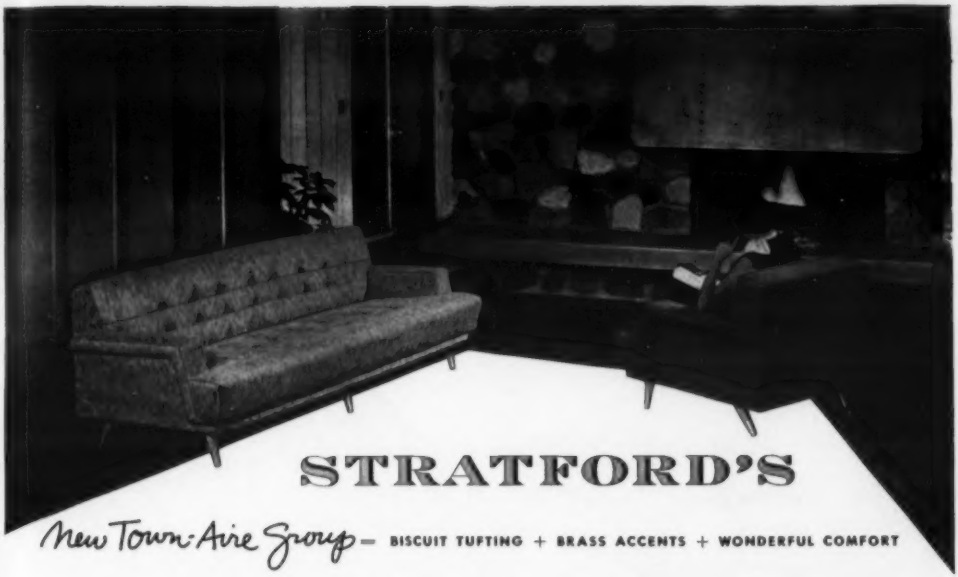

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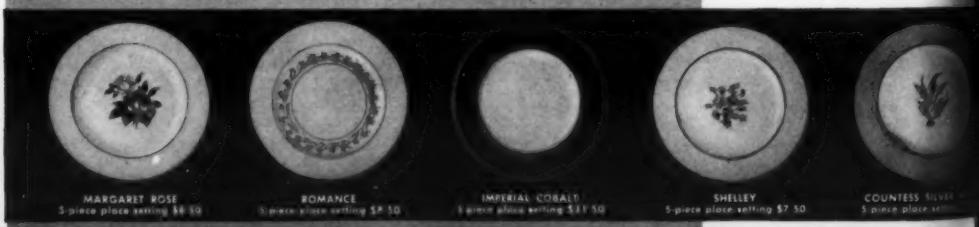

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A TOWN WAGES WAR ON RAGWEED

By CORA A. HARRIS

WINDOW DISPLAYS throughout the town of Bishopville, South Carolina, call on all citizens to join in a battle against ragweed. Merchants offered their show windows for the campaign, young volunteers distributed posters, ragweed samples

In many communities across the country, this time of year signals the kickoff for a civic undertaking of vital comfort to millions of hay-fever sufferers—eradication of ragweed. To be effective, such a campaign must be staged before pollination begins, usually around the middle of August. In Bishopville, South Carolina, a war on ragweed is under way, spearheaded enthusiastically by the town's children.

DOOR-TO-DOOR canvassing of neighborhoods by children enlists aid of property owners in the eradication program. Children explained how to recognize ragweed, how to combat it

MAYOR OF THE CITY, G. H. McElveen gave junior volunteers a send-off speech, issued a proclamation to all citizens asking their co-operation

ASSISTANT FARM AGENT, V. F. Linder, instructs children in eradication techniques. Here mowed ragweed is piled up, ready for burning

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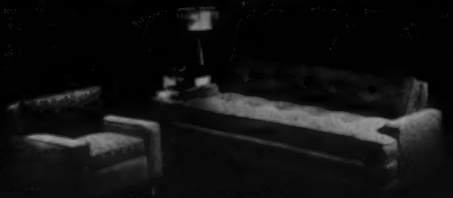

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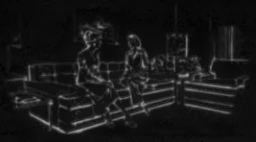

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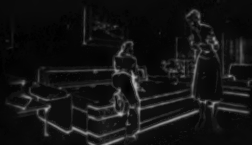

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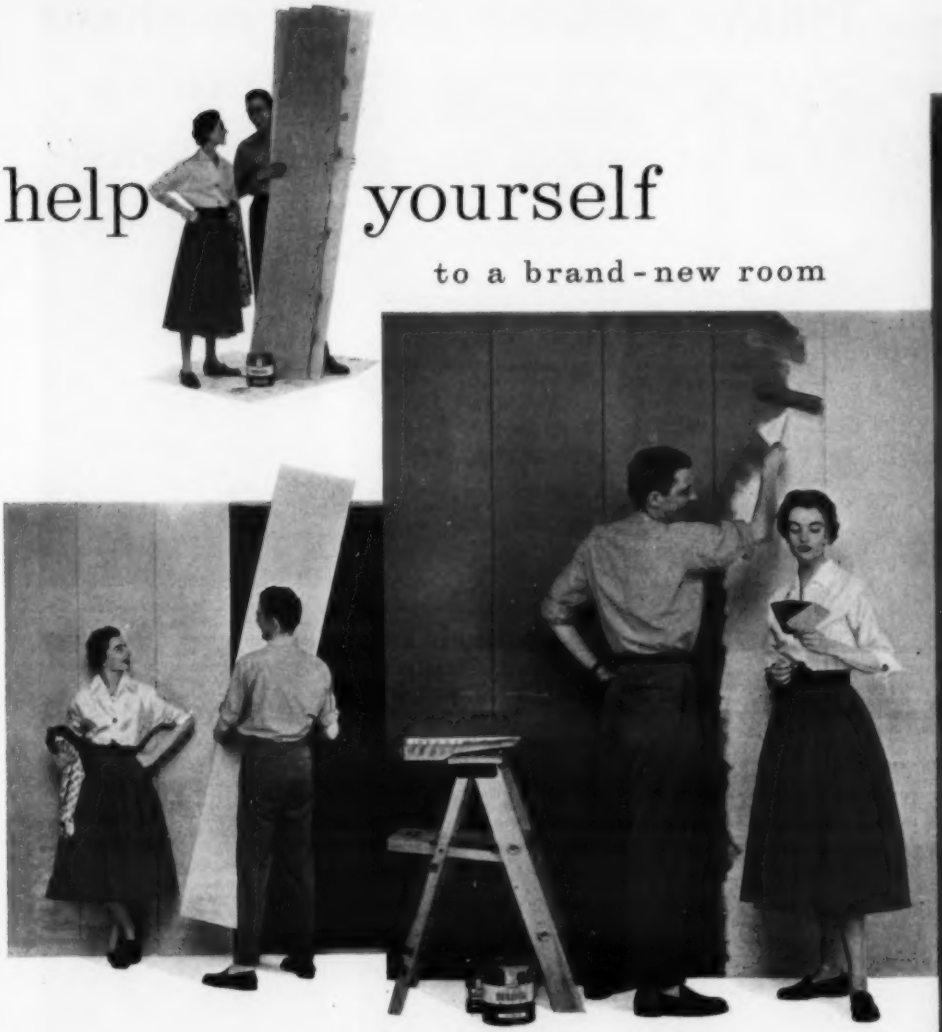

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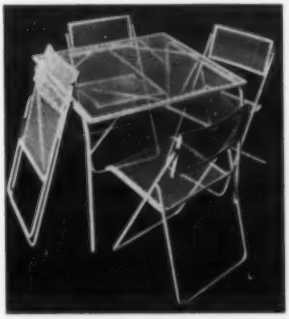
SUN DIAL is a decorative accessory. This aluminum one can be moved to suit your fancy. Aztec of California: $11.95



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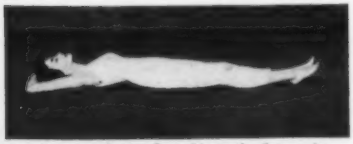
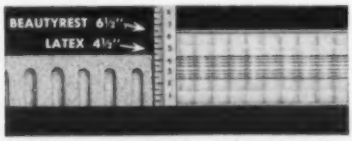


A mattress can be too firm. Lie on the floor and see. There's a hollow under the small of your back. This shows that rigidity alone is not right for rest.



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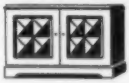

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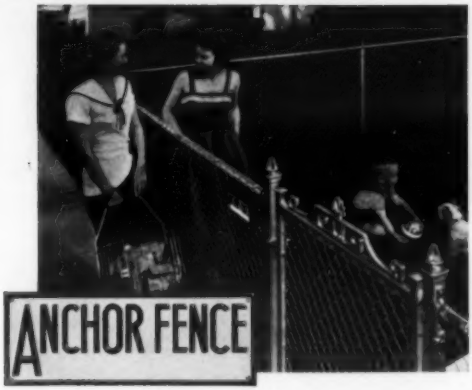

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POWER MOWERS COME OF AGE

By ROBERT SCHARFF

Time was when a shiny quarter pressed in the palm of the neighbor's boy and an old hand mower in the garage were an unbeatable combination for keeping the lawn trimmed. The progress of industry—not to mention the enlightened wage demands of recent years—has obliterated that picture almost to invisibility. The chief factor in this change is the emergence of the power lawn mower at a price homemakers can pay. Records show that during the year 1953 more than a million and a half power mowers were sold, and the trend is growing. The reasons are obvious. The power mower trims a lawn in a fraction of the time required by the hand mower and usually does a far better job. The average 60-x-100-foot plot demands five to eight hours of labor a week to keep properly groomed if a hand mower is used. The power mower chops this time in half and, in the process, eliminates most of the physical effort. An expense in terms of your time and effort, a power mower pays for itself over a relatively short period of time. Of the several types, which is best? There is no answer to that, because each type has certain advantages and disadvantages. One decision that will have to be made concerns the power source. Power mowers operate either on gasoline or electricity. Electrically powered mowers are quieter, start instantly, and are less expensive in initial cost. Their greatest drawback is the necessity of being "leashed" to the power source by a cord. This naturally limits the range of operation, and trees, posts, or other obstructions present annoyances. Electric mowers also are in general not self-propelling. Power turns the blades, but the unit, while lightweight, has to be pushed. Gasoline-powered mowers are generally self-propelling if they are of the reel variety, but have to be pushed if they are rotary types. Reel-type mowers give the closest, carefully manicured cut; rotary types are more effective where there are weeds or tall grass. Here are some power mowers—with notes on how to shop for them intelligently.

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WORK-SAVING is the aim of the power lawn mower, and some models carry this even beyond mere cutting of grass. *Choremaster* (1) rotary mower is equipped with a mulching attachment to pulverize leaves on lawn

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ROTARY-TYPE mowers are equipped with two to four flat cutting blades (parallel to the ground) which cut grass as they spin rapidly under power of the motor. Mower may be powered either by gasoline or by electricity, as are these two models: the *Huffy* (2) and the Jacobsen (3). Power acts only to turn cutting apparatus; user must push this type of machine

CHECK POINTS must be kept in mind when shopping for a rotary-type mower: (A) Adjustability of the blades—usually the cutting height of the blades is adjusted by raising or lowering wheels of the mower. (B) Maneuverability—to roll freely, this type of machine needs large wheels, at least 8 inches in diameter, and with good bearings; an asset is a flip-over handle for easy reversal of mowing direction. (C) High cutting speed—a low speed will result in grass being torn off rather than cut; this will cause browning of the tips of grass. (D) Safety—the blades should be completely enclosed so that feet and fingers cannot get close when the motor is running. Never attempt to turn over mower to examine while motor is running. A good plus feature of a rotary mower is a shield to prevent stones from hitting blades during mowing. Three variations of the electric-powered rotary mower are the *Pincor* (4) by Pioneer Gen-E-Motor, with a 16-inch cut, 24-pound weight, and a fan-cooled motor of 3600 rpm; Foley's 17-inch model (5) with special folding handle for easy storage; 3450 rpm motor and aluminum alloy frame; and 18-inch *Holiday* (6) by Reo Motors with ½ hp, 3450 rpm motor

GASOLINE-POWERED rotary mowers are not "leashed" to their power source. The 18-inch *Holiday* (7) by Reo with 1½ hp engine has light alloy metal base, one piece steel blade mounted on safety slip disk. The Jacobsen (8) has four double-edged, 3-inch reversible knife sections, cuts 18 inches. The 17-inch Goodall (9), with 1½ hp motor, 2-cycle engine; two-way *Hufy* (10) cuts 18-inch swath

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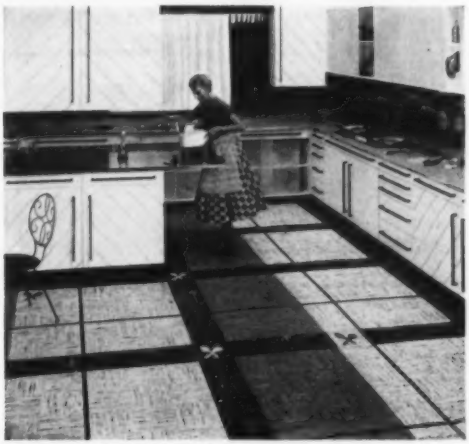

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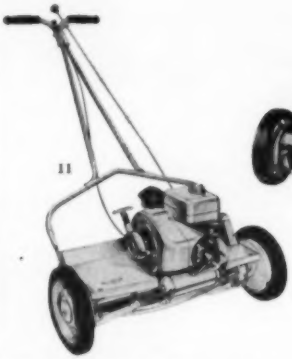

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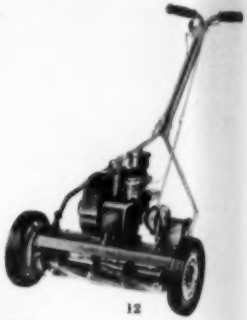

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REEL-TYPE POWER MOWERS are similar in cutting action to the conventional hand mower, and unlike most rotary mowers, they are self-propelled. Once the motor is started, mower needs merely to be guided. The reel mower gives a velvety-smooth cut, but for best results should be used only on a lawn free from weeds and overly tall grass. There are points to check when buying such a mower: (A) Adjustability of blades—most grass experts recommend that lawns should be kept between 1¼ and 2 inches in height; in spring, 1½ inches are best, then 1 or 1¼ inches changing to 1½ to 2 inches through summer. In fall, it is well to drop down again. Choose a mower that has a 1-to-2-inch adjustment. (B) Handling—mower should be easy to guide in a straight line or around turns; there should be a minimum of vibration and jounce in handles. (C) Clutch—it should be conveniently placed and easy to operate. (D) Durability—good steel blades mean fewer sharpenings and better cutting. It is best to have at least five blades. (E) Traction—weight of machine should be centered over wheels. If weight of motor is too far forward or toward rear, mower will take poorly to sloping terrain. (F) Safety—there should be a guard over the chain drive; exhaust pipe should be directed away from the operator. The majority of reel-type mowers are gasoline powered. Examples are: 21-inch *Pacer* by Jacobsen (**11**) with automatic recoil starter; 18-inch *Exeter* by Pennsylvania (**12**); *Excello* by Heineke (**13**); *Moto-Mower* by Detroit Harvester (**14**) with sickle-bar attachment for weed cutting; Toro's *Sportlawn* (**15**)

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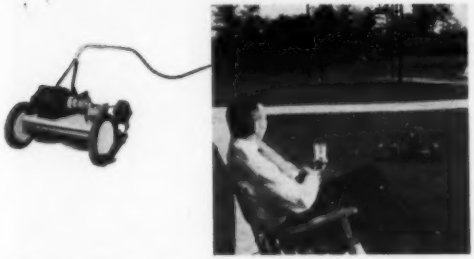

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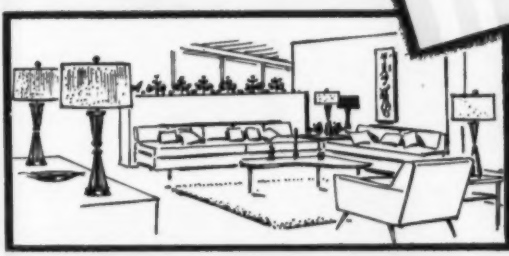

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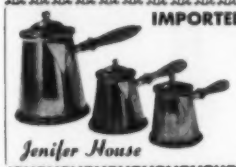

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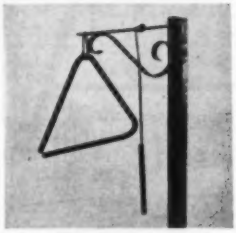

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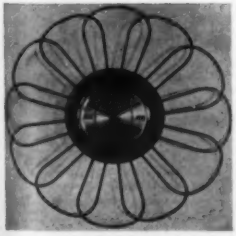

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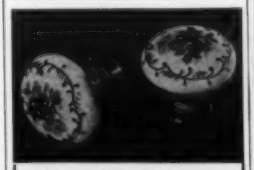

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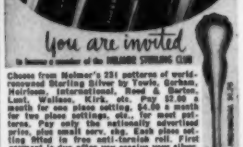

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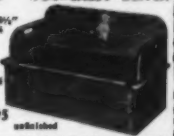

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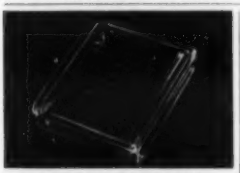

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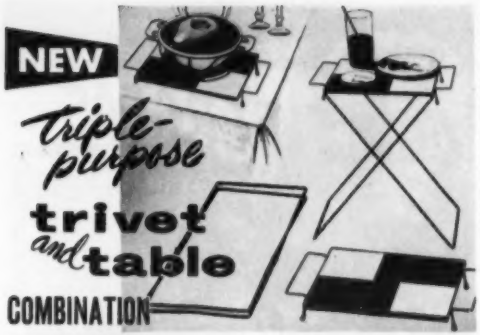

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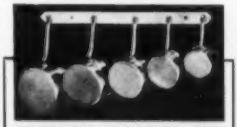

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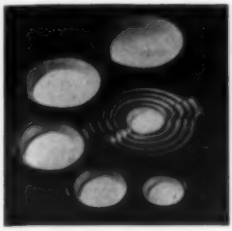

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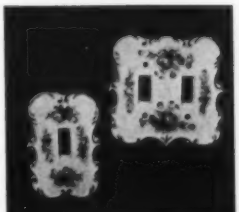

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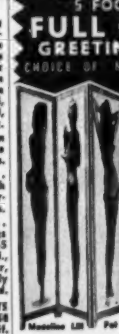

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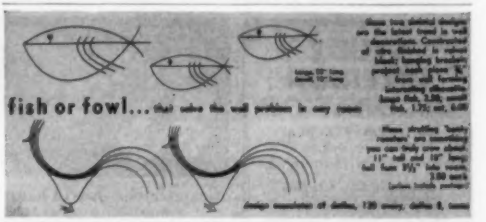

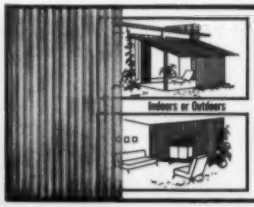

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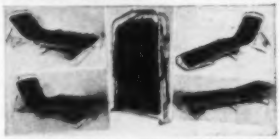

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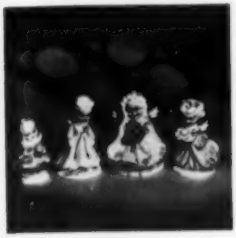

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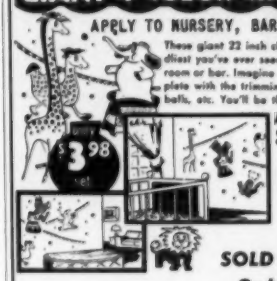

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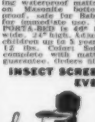

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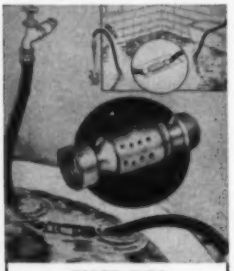

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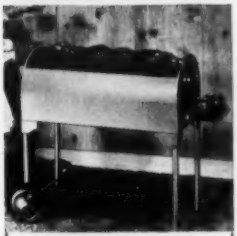

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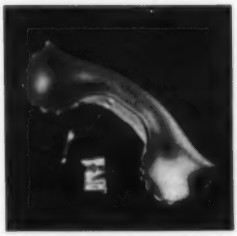

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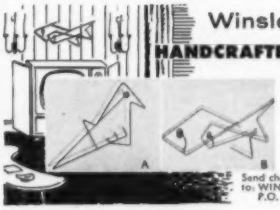

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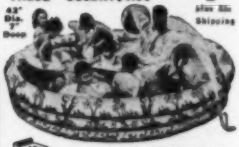

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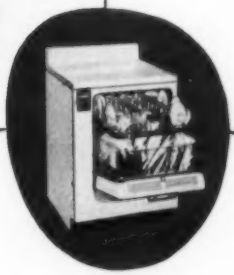

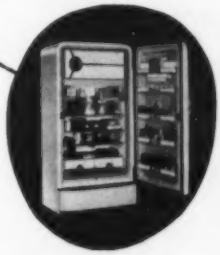

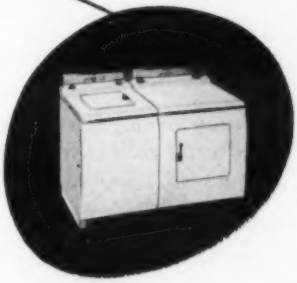

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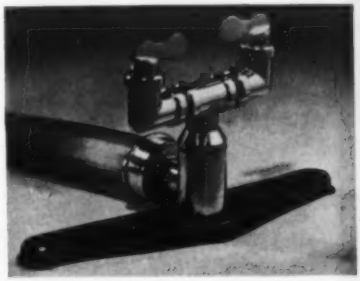

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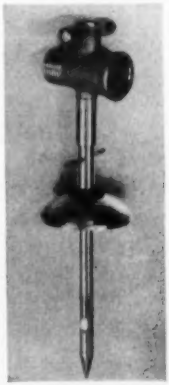

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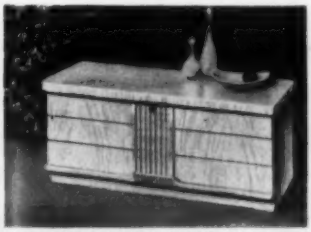

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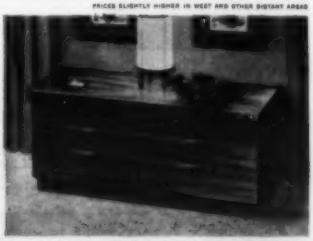

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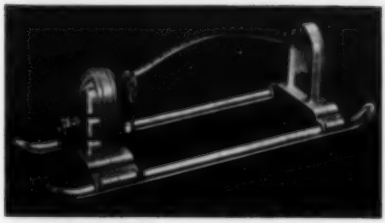
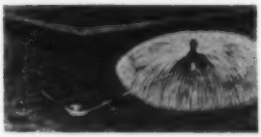
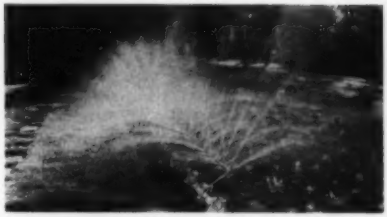


OSCILLATING SPRINKLER (by Avon) has a back-and-forth cycle which enables lawn on one side to absorb water while the other side is being sprayed. Mounted on runners, the sprinkler can be moved quickly from one area to another by a tug on the hose



TRAVELING-TYPE sprinkler is equipped with a steel tape placed in ground through area to be watered; sprinkler unit, under pressure of water, moves tape along irrigating lawn on either side to a distance of five to fifty feet, depending on adjustment. Automatically shuts off at end of travel. Model shown is *Sunbeam* Rain King



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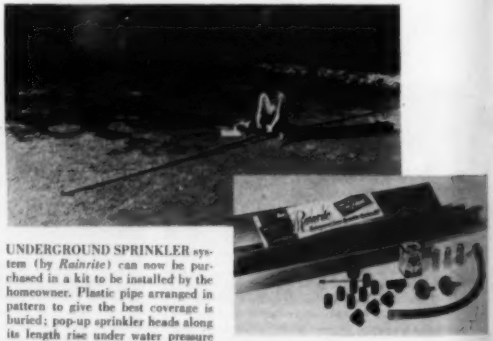

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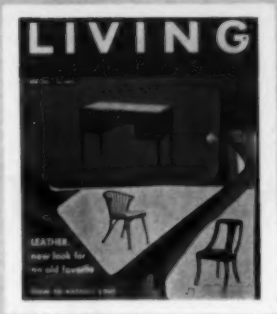

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TWO AMATEURS STEAL A LEAF FROM THE BUILDERS' BOOK

For every house successfully built by a young family's own hands, there is usually another which dies a-borning because the owners found when they got down to brass tacks that the project was beyond their efforts. Among the reasons for failure is the time factor: with only evenings and week ends to work, it is easy to get hopelessly bogged down and many families are living in the basement of what was to have been their dream house. Degree of skill with tools is important: there is more at stake than picking up hammer and saw. And the ever-present problem of finances is a vital consideration. Success comes with advance study, balancing out the factors involved and then proceeding. The story of Don and Charlotte Altman's house in Bellevue, Washington, is a case in point. Since they both worked, the time factor was the bugaboo in their project until they took a cue from the prefabricated home builders. Charlotte designed a simple, T-shaped plan and Don tailored it to fit a four-foot module. They found an empty shed for rent near their apartment which could be used as a workshop, and in the evenings there, Don built 4′ x 8′ framing panels of 2 x 4s, sheathed with plywood, and Charlotte finished them with either paint or stain. During week ends at the site, they built the platform, on which the living room unit sets, from lumber cut to size. The other units were fabricated in the shed and trucked out for quick setting up. When the house was complete enough to be lived in with comfort, the Altmans, moving in, passed the plumber moving out. It had been just fourteen months from the time they started planning until moving day. Once settled, they turned their attention to the interior and exterior finishing details. They set on a simple color scheme—yellow, orange, terra cotta, and green—colors which they felt would spark most strongly at night when they were at home, and adhered to them strictly not only inside the house but on the exterior also; their landscape plan implemented the same color scheme. Charlotte and Don have by no means finished the project; the fireplace is still lacking although the hearth is in place; they plan the addition of another bedroom and maybe a studio. The house has aroused considerable interest because it is unusual in design, construction methods and some of the materials—features which cannot always be afforded with hired labor and conventional financing. Because material costs were spread over a fairly long period, they were able, from current income and accumulated savings, to handle the total building cost—$10,000.

This lakeside home was made possible by economies inherent in a modular system of panels prefabricated by the owners and trucked to the site. Four glazed panels in foreground mark one end of living room which has a side door to protected deck. Dining and sleeping areas are in raised section at rear of living wing; kitchen, at right, has access to outdoor living room

CHARLES PEARSON

From the street, house presents a compact appearance (right). Expanse of natural cedar siding for main structure and fences is relieved by plywood panels painted to conform with the colors used indoors and out and repeated in the garden. Bright yellow front door is the size of a full module—4′ x 8′. The Altmans find its outsize practical for moving large pieces of furniture

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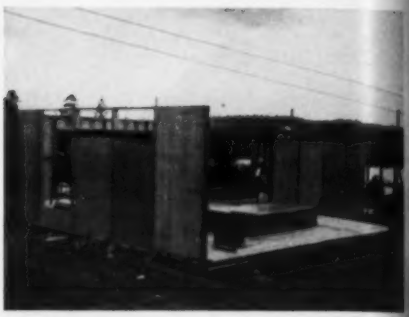
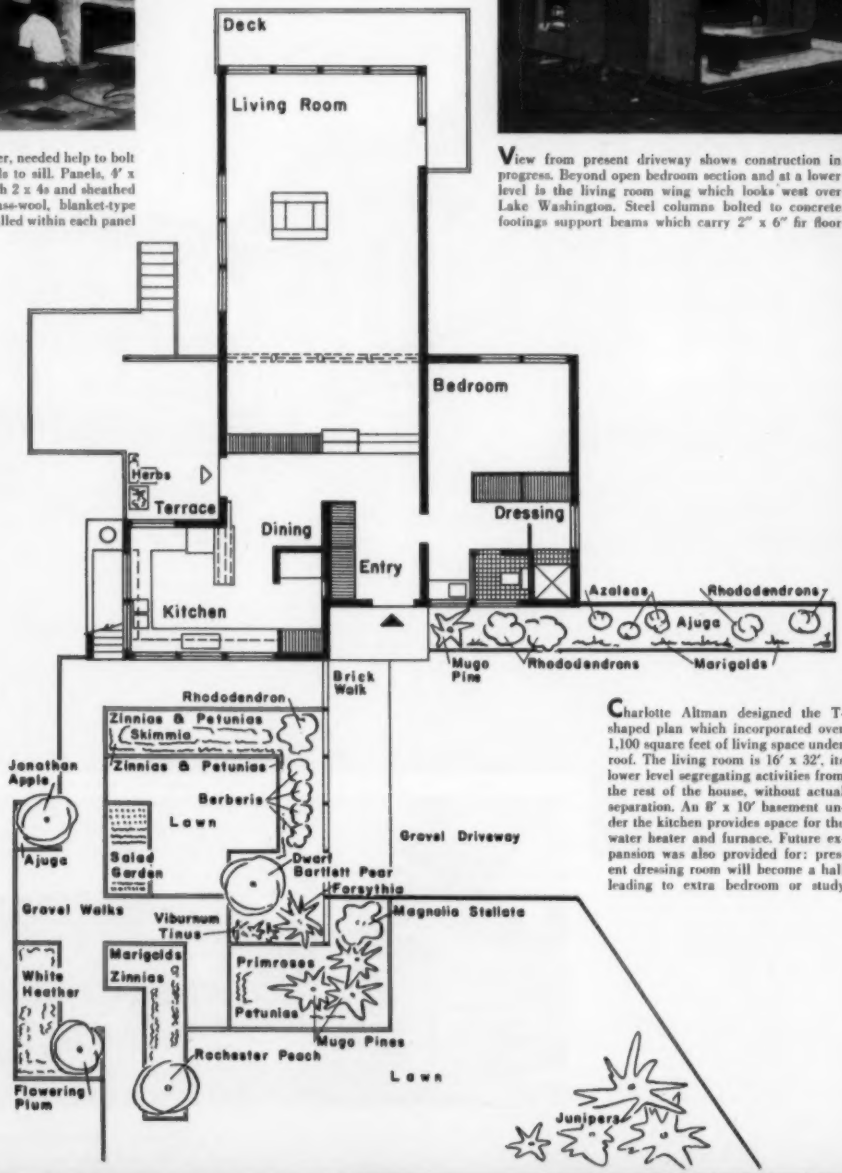
Don Altman, center, needed help to bolt modular wall panels to sill. Panels, 4′ x 8′, were framed with 2 x 4s and sheathed with plywood. Glass-wool, blanket-type insulation was installed within each panel



View from present driveway shows construction in progress. Beyond open bedroom section and at a lower level is the living room wing which looks west over Lake Washington. Steel columns bolted to concrete footings support beams which carry 2″ x 6″ fir floor



Charlotte Altman designed the T-shaped plan which incorporated over 1,100 square feet of living space under roof. The living room is 16′ x 32′, its lower level segregating activities from the rest of the house, without actual separation. An 8′ x 10′ basement under the kitchen provides space for the water heater and furnace. Future expansion was also provided for: present dressing room will become a hall leading to extra bedroom or study

Garden is a testament to what amateurs can do who know little about plants but much about design. Garden layout was planned to give the same effect on the flat that the house does vertically; accordingly, it was laid out on a 4-foot module. First, orderliness was considered: raised beds made of 1" x 6"s treated with wood preservative clearly define walks and garden area. Filled with rich soil, they provide a good, growing medium immediately and, being above ground, are easy to work in. Second, a color scheme was worked out to blend with the house and it was strictly adhered to. Strong emphasis was made on white flowers, since white is the best color for evening, the time when the working couple are at home to enjoy the garden. Third, something was planted for every season of the year right up to frost time. Fourth, strong foliage-contrasts were used for winter interest: mugo pines, the bare branches of deciduous trees and shrubs, extensive use of Ajuga ground cover. Fifth, the Altmans incorporated fruit trees and salad greens into the decorative scheme of their garden

CHARLES PEARSON

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Overhang was deliberately exaggerated to control sun glare, which presents a problem for houses facing west on the lake. This part of plot is still in its native bracken; final planting will retain same feeling

Artificial light is as carefully controlled as natural in the Altman home. Illumination was planned to make the interiors especially attractive and useful at night. Spotlights under overhang outside (note, at left) afford rays which cross the windows diagonally, giving a level of illumination proper for conversation and a curtain of light which relieves the stark blackness of the large glass expanses at night. Indoors, the living room has two spots on south wall (unseen), one trained on the opposite gallery wall to highlight the paintings, the other to brighten the unfinished concrete fireplace shell now used as a planter-bench

Throughout, the home was decorated sparingly, each carefully chosen object receiving its proper share of attention. Gallery wall at left is covered in sisal matting, an interesting background for paintings and art objects. Other walls are gum plywood paneling, finished natural. Sliding geometric panels at rear are painted to conform with the over-all color scheme of the home; they give access to hobby storage space. At the other side of the rough cedar steps is a drop-lid desk. Floors throughout are hardboard rectangles, laid in mastic with corners bradded down. Rugs, which the owners plan to add later, will improve acoustical conditions in the room. View, left, shows east end of living room with combination dining and worktable. Informal dining area (below) is on raised level adjacent to kitchen

CHARLES PEARSON

Wall matting was used not only as decoration but also for its sound-deadening effect. In the bedroom, Charlotte blocked out a geometric design on walls, then stapled 24-inch-wide strips of abacá cloth over the plywood (above). Final step was to tack battens in position to accentuate pattern

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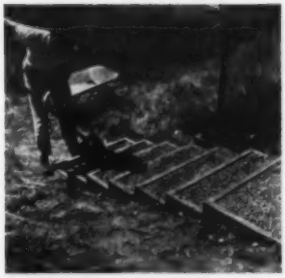
Combined efforts of the family were required to finish exterior of house. Scaffold was put up and Charlotte and Don applied a pigmented wood preservative to the 1" x 8" tongue and groove rough cedar boards

Free-standing wardrobes form division between sleeping room and dressing-bath area. A door, covered in Japanese paper, is permanently anchored at right angles to shower-room doorway beyond

Combination sleeping, dressing and bath area is one large 20' x 12' area, open except for segregated toilet. Draperies in sleeping section (above) are heavy natural linen to control morning light. Plywood unit below window conceals the heating outlets, part of a single line system of circulating hot water. Openings at top and side of the unit admit warmed air into the room



Steps leading lakeside from the open terrace were made simply. Each step is a frame of 2" x 4"s filled with gravel. Don dumps load from wheelbarrow, smooths with shovel

Lavatory section of bath-dressing area has basin recessed in a coved counter of terra-cotta-colored linoleum. Towel rack, made of bamboo laced with raffia, is both an attractive and useful bathroom wall treatment

Deck, facing south, was made of 2" x 12" cedar boards; railing and stanchions are 2" x 4"s painted shiny brown to contrast with cedar. Glass wind screen was planned to catch evening lake breezes. The table which acts as bracing for the screen is used as dining space for three or four people, or as a buffet when a larger gathering takes place

Owner did all the cabinetwork himself. Here he is hanging plywood doors below sink. Drawer pulls are aluminum angle sections, found in junk yard, sawed to fit

CHARLES PEARSON

Drop-lid desk in living room has two file drawers, one for reference material, the other for household accounts. Don is attaching pulls. Below is magazine storage space

In her kitchen, Charlotte tried to make cooking easy and clean-up simple, at the same time avoiding a pixy clutter or a slick laboratory atmosphere. Upper cabinets are accessible without stretching and are shallow so that it is seldom necessary to reach over or behind one thing to get to another. Drawers for staples are directly under the counter; she works easily from them. The ribbon of ribbed-glass windows over the counter allows efficient and pleasant light by day. At night, the tube lighting not only illuminates the counter but throws a screen of light on windows so that it is impossible to see in from outdoors. Here again, same color scheme is adhered to: dropped ceiling is lemon-yellow; counter tops are terra-cotta-red linoleum; cabinets below are blue-green. Floor is hardboard, as are sliding doors on wall cabinets

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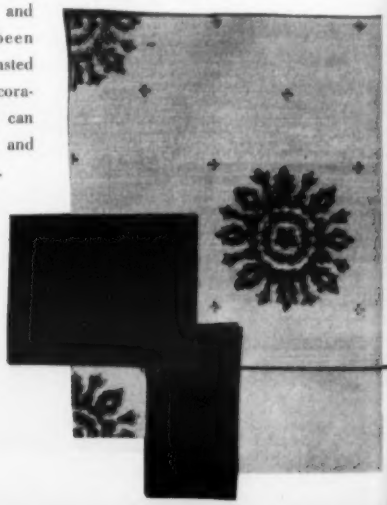
TEXTURES, SURFACES, NEW AND OLD

That illustrious centenarian, the Deacon's *One-Hoss Shay*, achieved immortality (we are told) simply by being "built in a logical way." This triumph of ingenuity had only one flaw: the shay lasted longer than the Deacon. Today, there are undoubtedly many things with which we surround ourselves that will last a hundred years, but, fortunately, they don't have to. They need only endure as long as we like and need them. This, however, they must do, and we have not only logic, but science, to devise new ways to keep us comfortable and affectionate during that problematic period. The fact that our tastes change and our bank accounts fluctuate can make decoration a thing of the moment or of years. Whichever it is, and whatever its qualifying factors, it makes no sense unless it is good looking, easily maintained, and possesses a reasonable amount of endurability. Like the oak from the acorn, these qualities spring from one source: the fiber, natural and man-made. The animal, vegetable, and mineral kingdoms supply all the natural fibers and, in a regenerated form, some of the man-made. It is our purpose to show them as they ultimately appear in our homes. Chosen for appearance and performance value, each material makes a further contribution by being specifically suited to its prescribed function, and textures and surfaces have been paired and contrasted to illustrate the decorative harmony that can exist when nature and science collaborate.



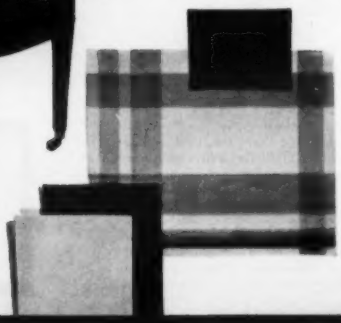
Man's inventiveness allows him to adapt the animal, vegetable, and mineral worlds to his changing needs

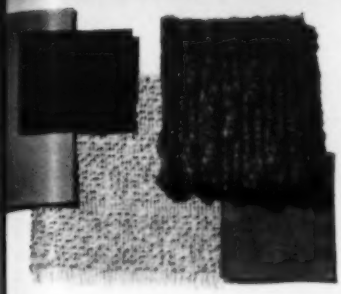
KENNETH SILVA

FROM THE ANIMAL KINGDOM comes the luxury of a leather floor. Its cost is not prohibitive, it can be laid as easily as any floor tiling, and kept clean with nothing but mild soap and water. Window valances and table top are both leather, both projects (with the aid of the new leather kits) for the "do-it-yourself" fan. There is further durability in the leather upholstered chairs, the slate top of the louvered-door buffet, the washable paint of the walls, and the handsome drapery fabric, a balanced blend of *Fortisan* and spun rayon: the first used for dimensional stability, the second to create the nubby weave, and to keep the cost at a reasonable level. Side chairs: Hickory Chair; buffet: Heritage-Henredon; draperies: Edgar Fabrics; *Syroco* sunburst clock; Du Pont paint throughout. Leather throughout by the Upholstery Leather Group. Square clock at lower right by Leather World

ERNEST SILVA

INFINITE VARIETY in pattern and color is possible in leather tile flooring, and here it is the dominant note of the room, determining the color scheme and providing a strong decorative interest. Again, the drapery fabric is an interesting new acetate material which employs *Chromspun* and *Celaperm* solution-dyed yarns giving the color a permanence never before achieved in an acetate. Except under abnormal conditions, the colors will not fade, run, or be affected by atmospheric fumes: old acetate bugaboos. Armless lounge chairs are covered in a mixture of linen and rayon that is spot- and soil-resistant; table top and all other chairs are leather. Jasper Cabinet desk-secretary, *Artline* leather-topped table, and Titus Blatter drapery fabric. Globe Parlor cock-fight chair at lower left; Schafer Brothers open armchair at lower right





SCOTT RYDE

THREE TEXTURES give this room distinction: the smooth glossiness of leather, the deeply looped pile of the all-wool carpeting, and the striated pattern of the drapery fabric. This material is *Zephyr Chrom*, an acetate combining *Chromspun* yarns and *Lurex*, an aluminum and plastic fiber used for metallic highlights. Brass, always interesting in decoration, gleams in the legs of the leather-topped table (which you can make yourself) and the TV folding bench with its *Formica* top and leather cushion. Brass and leather are combined in the table and pin-up lamps and in all the table accessories. The cabinet is a striking example of restoration. Purchased secondhand, it was first lacquered and then (again enlisting a leather kit) given new front panels of leather patterned in triangles like a mosaic. The application is simple; the kits are obtainable in two color schemes and are complete with full instructions and adhesive. Davidson easy chair and TV bench. Desley drapery fabric. Downs carpet. Mario lamps. Leather kits from Leather World

GOOD-LOOKING textures and surfaces often make us forget that the fabric or floor covering in question has an inherent, functional quality that may not meet the eye. At this window, the open weave of the drapery material (a blend of cotton, nylon and Du Pont's *Fiber E*) is, by second nature, a light fixture, filtering the rays of the sun to give the room a soft diffused light. The textured carpeting is not only soft to the tread, but should be considered for its effect on the thermal and acoustical condition of the room. Leather and iron are combined in chairs and ottoman; bench, room divider and table are all products of nonprofessional skill, with each plane of the table a different colored sheet of *Formica*. Tornick chair, ottoman; Craft Associates sling chair, Holmes all-wool carpeting, *Cohama* casement cloth draperies

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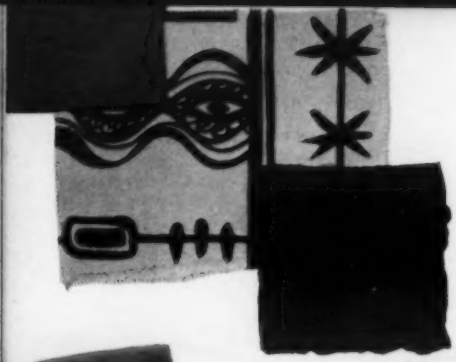

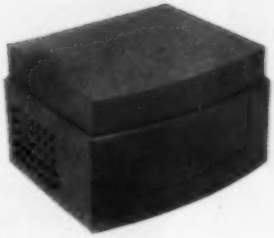

ERNEST SILVA

FIRE-RESISTANT and impervious to moths, this pure *Dynel* drapery fabric will not shrink, drip-dries with relatively no wrinkles. This rayon carpeting has the great advantage of being soil-resistant, a faculty gained through its newly processed synthetic fiber yarn. In key with the practicality of the room is the sofa covering, a pure cotton that washes like a glove. Cherry and birch writing desk and end tables are topped in leather, the desk chair combines leather and cane, and the leather upholstered armchair has black lacquer legs with brass ferrules. Desk accessories and leather-based lamps are further evidence of the versatility of this enduring material, used also, and effectively, as the covering for the Columbia *360* hi-fi record player above. Hekman's desk, end tables; Young's armchair, Beaver desk chair, Magee carpeting, Colonial table (below). Thorp draperies

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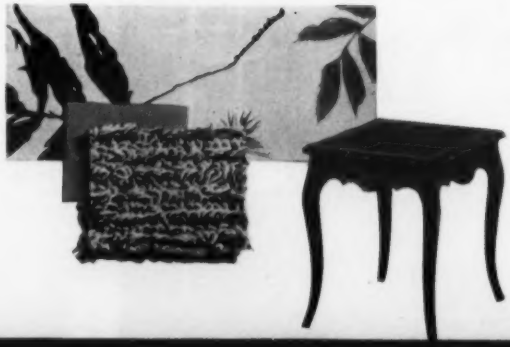

LACQUER, always a hard surface, has acquired an added durability in the newly developed finish used on the chest (opposite). It is easily washed with mild soap and water, resists stains and scratches, and is tinted a delicate color called (after the botanical name of the carnation) Dianthus pink. Top is *Panelyte*, knobs are porcelain. Dining furniture, prompted by the familiar saying that "leather wears like iron," couples the two in a particularly attractive manner. Place mats are of brushed cowhide and the salt and pepper rug is pure wool, still one of the most enduring materials given us by the animal world. Warp of *Fortisan* is woven with weft of *Bemberg* rayon and silk for a drapery fabric of exceptional stability. Wallpaper, final contributor to easy maintenance, is washable. American of Martinsville chest, Woodard iron furniture, James Lees rug, Birge wallpaper

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CEDAR SHAKES and brick veneer were combined to provide exterior contrast in surface texture and color; the entrance area has been roofed with an open lattice and paved with brick to form a patio. Plan (below) shows division of house into a rectangle for living; a square for utilities

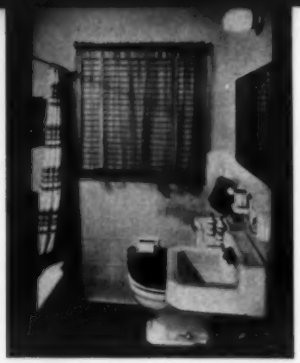
THE QUEST FOR INDIVIDUALITY

As far as we know, primitive man lived in a cave simply because he didn't know how to build a house. It was still his castle, however, and once inside, he took great pains, by painting and carving the walls, to establish the fact that his was the dwelling of a man of taste. In the intervening eras, Homo sapiens has managed to progress somewhat. We now know how to build a house, and we are still intent on making it look, inside and out, as distinctive as we know how. If we can't do it ourselves, we have the architect, the builder, and the decorator to help us. It is the ultimate effect that matters and, as an illustration, the following pages are devoted to two houses, both small, both part of developments, and both bearing a stamp of individuality attained in a different way. The first is an example of what a thoughtful builder can do to banish visual monotony. The second is distinguished by the talent and imaginative handicraft of its owners: Kim and Jan Stussy. House No. 1, built by Crawford Homes in Louisville, Kentucky (and in many other cities throughout the country), represents the growing effort on the part of the builder to anticipate the need for individuality. It is designed to be built by the hundreds, sometimes side by side, and yet retain that elusive quality (without which project houses are about as interesting as beehives) that will make it appeal to a prospective buyer. It can be built in four variations, its floor plan is flexible, it offers a choice of five different kitchens, and it can be decorated in a coordinated scheme based on the owner's favorite color: a very personal qualification. An engineered house, with precut and panelized parts, it is sensible in cost: $12,841 without land. For an additional $2,079, it can be equipped for year-round air-conditioning, completely landscaped, and fenced and trellised in an interesting manner to provide not only the maximum of privacy for its owners, but an attractive view for the homes of its neighbors, rare individuality particularly appreciated in developments.

CO-ORDINATED COLOR is a principle of all Crawford Homes interiors. One color (with a strong leaning toward the warm side of the spectrum) is selected as the keynote of the entire house, and is used in each room with only those colors that complement it. The result, with nothing left to chance, is completely harmonious. In the dining area (right) the large expanse of glass is curtained in gauze to permit maximum amount of suffused sunlight. A partitioning closet supports bookcases, separates dining area from living room (below). Dillingham dining furniture, upholstered furniture, Valentine Seaver designs by Kroehler

EZRA STOLLER

GOLD is the predominating color in the house, and its strongest complement, green, is used extensively in the third bedroom, which is decorated as a study-den. Walls are oyster-gray; coverlet of the niched studio-bed is olive-green over a dust ruffle of green, black, and white: a combination repeated in the tier curtains. Rug is moss-green viscose rayon. Michigan Seating Company chair is linen, bound in green



BATHROOM ENTRANCE is flanked by two closets: one holding linen, the other housing the Lennox heating and air-conditioning units. Bath itself has a ceramic mosaic tile floor, lime-green walls and sand-colored ceramic wall tile. Fishnet curtains are coral

MASTER BEDROOM continues the play on yellow and its variations, with the color lightened to a pale lemon for the walls, deepened to a warm caramel-brown for draperies, dust ruffles, and linen upholstered chair. Furniture is bleached mahogany in a soft beige finish with the bed footboards paneled in natural cane. Rug and background of coverlets are white

BOY'S BEDROOM is simply and effectively brown and white, with interesting furniture of solid rock maple in a pale blond finish with terra-cotta side panels and drawer pulls. Walls are white, draperies are white printed in brown and terra cotta, corduroy bedcover is chocolate color. Small oval rug is chestnut-brown. Flooring is hardwood blocks, a treatment used in major areas of the house

EZRA STOLLER

LAUNDRY, with its washer, dryer, and cabinet for hot water heater, is planned as a functional annex to the kitchen. A long pass-through, almost the length of the separating wall, opens onto a counter which serves as a snack bar and, on laundry days, a work surface. Bar stools slip under counter when not in use, and cabinets over washer and dryer hold soap and laundry supplies

ALL-ELECTRIC KITCHEN is U-shaped, compact, and sunny. Range, sink, dishwasher, and refrigerator have adjacent work surfaces topped with a linen patterned, beige *Formica* bound in stainless steel. Flooring (a deviation from the hardwood blocks used elsewhere) is beige tiling; wood cabinets, custom built, have sliding doors of frosted glass. Without impeding traffic, there is ample room opposite the laundry for a drop-leaf table for informal dining. Kitchen walls are pale lime-green, cabinets are a light cocoa color, and curtains are white organdy scalloped in yellow. All appliances by Hotpoint

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The life of an artist today is not quite what it was when it was called, with a certain degree of envy, *La Vie Bohème*. The attic studio has been exchanged for a house and lot, and perhaps the only difference between the artist and the average man is that the artist works a little harder. There could be no better example than Jan Stussy and his wife, Kim. Jan is an assistant professor of art at UCLA; Kim is a sculptress. For three years they lived and worked in a two-room garage apartment for which they paid $61 a month. A 10′ x 10′ bedroom served as a studio, and they slept on a wall-bed in the living room. Painting and sculpturing constantly, their work accumulated to the point where there was no longer room even to lower the bed, and they knew that they must move. After some hesitancy (having the rugged individualism of the artist), they bought a $10,750 San Fernando Valley development house with the pleasant monthly payment of one dollar less than their former rent. Designed by Edward Fickett, A.I.A., and built by Ray Hommes, it is a pleasant, low-roofed structure set on a 86′ x 110′ lot. To the Stussys it became a home, a studio, and a gallery for exhibitions of their respective work. They refurbished old pieces of furniture, built new ones, and with the artist's feeling for form, color and texture, used their own paintings and sculpture as a decorative background. The result is a ready-built house transformed by the unmistakable touch of the imaginative mind and the creative hand at work: both invaluable sources of individuality.

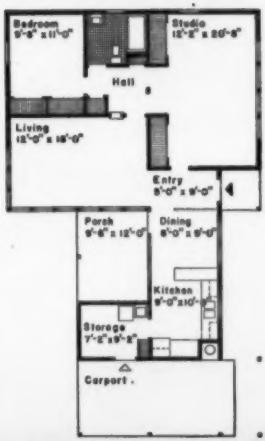
JAN AND KIM STUSSY work side by side in their studio for mutual encouragement, criticism

A HOUSE STAMPED WITH ITS OWNERS' TALENTS

RELIEF DESIGN in cement block in garden is a mold of the artists' hands and the paws of their kittens

GEOMETRICALLY DESIGNED GARDEN is a checkerboard pattern of 10-foot squares. Completely fenced, the area measures 80′ x 50′, and is actually a conglomerate of 40 little gardens, each treated differently. As they acquired ideas and materials, Jan and Kim used plants, bricks, gravel, and sculpture to give each square the textural interest of a mosaic. Cacti and driftwood line the entrance walk (left) to form a double pattern, one real, the other shadowed on the white stucco wall of the house. Walk is painted (durable concrete paint) in random diamonds of black, gray, and white, a harlequin pattern repeated in black and gray on the floor of a small sheltered terrace (below) adjacent to the dining room and kitchen and used for outdoor dining. Jan made the simple corner stand to hold small pieces of Kim's sculpture, hung one of his pictures (since the terrace is protected) on a side wall, and set a discarded firing mold on iron legs as a planter for flowers

J. KELK MEALLY



TWELVE-FOOT-HIGH WINDOWS form two walls of the living room and classically simple draperies are hung from ceiling to floor. Jan designed and made the low table, and restyled an old sofa and matching chair to their present form. Kim's statuary is the focal point of the room: a lion, an angel, and two of her placid, enigmatic ladies. A series of Jan's drawings run in a frieze around the entrance wall, hung for both the Stussys' pleasure and as part of a constantly changing exhibit

PERSIAN KITTENS, as decorative as painting and sculpture, take their ease in the bedroom. Dining area (below), separated from the entrance hall by a louvered panel, is furnished with a table and chairs remodeled by Jan from castoffs retrieved at the last moment from their former apartment

STUDIO, SPACIOUS AND LIGHT, was contrived by knocking out the separating wall of two of the three bedrooms. To secure the maximum of reflected light, walls and ceiling were painted white and, for practicality's sake, the asphalt floor was spattered with varicolored paints. Storage shelves built of planks and bricks line the walls, leaving the entire center area free for the easel and the sculptor's modeling board. Kitchen (below) is separated from the dining area by a serving counter, plastic-topped, with synthetic lumber board sides. Here again, the Stussys have used an arrangement of branches, sculpture, pottery for decoration

J. DALE SHORT

By John and Ellen Ferguson

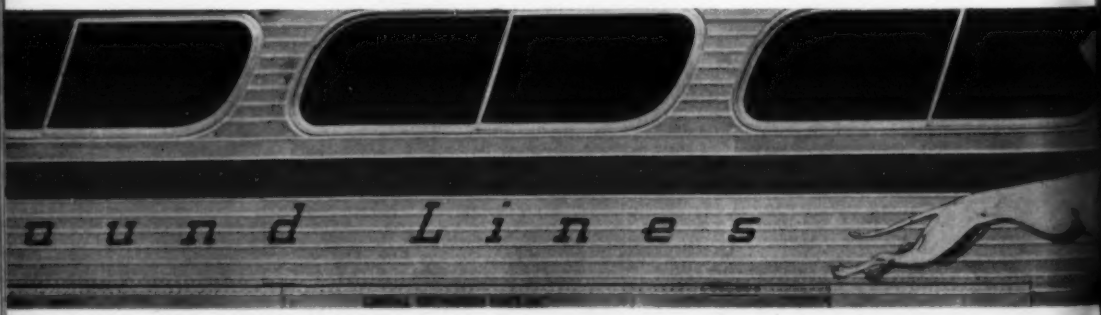
MEXICAN HAY RIDE IN A MOTOR COACH

Don't be a snob about bus trips. They're a first-rate way to sight-see and study the countryside

There's nothing like a chance happening to crystallize your thinking and launch a plan of action. John and I had been talking about going to Mexico ever since planning our honeymoon, but never quite seemed to make it. Then at a party one night last spring, we met a couple who had just made the trip by bus and they were so full of stories about the hilarious times they'd had, the wonderful people they'd met, and how inexpensive the trip had been that by the time John and I got home we were so deep in our plans that nothing could have stopped us. We even persuaded John's old classmate, Peter, and his wife, Peggy, who lived in Chicago, to meet in New Orleans and go on with us. The hardest thing about planning a bus trip is deciding which route to take. First, John got hold of an Official Motor Coach Guide, and for a week we tried to figure it out but finally gave up when we counted seven hundred motor coach companies operating in the United States and Canada on eighty-two hundred schedules.

There were two things we both wanted to see—Williamsburg and the Great Smoky Mountains. We finally decided on Williamsburg. After all, it seemed only fair that we should know what life was like in our own country two hundred and fifty years ago before we made comparisons with the way they lived in Mexico twenty-five hundred years ago. Having at last made up our minds what we wanted to see and convinced that we were both babes in the wood when it came to figuring out timetables, John went one Saturday afternoon to the Trailways Travel Bureau and I went to the Greyhound Travel Bureau to have them figure out the exact route and stopping places for us. Of course we came home with the same discoveries: both companies had 22-day planned tours already worked out, both would make hotel reservations for us if we gave them time; a round-trip ticket to Mexico City, with reasonable variations in routings, was from New York City, $91.69, from Chicago, $70.62, both including the tax.

We discarded the idea of taking a package tour. Greyhound's was $220.75 per person, Trailways', $307.50—with the tax—but without meals en route or tips. Greyhound called for four nights on the bus; Trailways put their passengers in hotels every night. Both included some local sightseeing en route and six days in Mexico with some meals. Our $500 would be gone with scarcely a bite to eat, and $500 was what we had to spend. We finally decided that if we didn't dine at the most expensive restaurants, we could manage on an average of $6 a day for a double room and $9 more for food and incidentals. When we'd get to Mexico City we would take local buses, not package tours. Everyone who had spent any time in Mexico said they were great fun and gave us all sorts of tips. Our two round-trip fares, plus nineteen nights in hotels, meals and incidentals for twenty-two days would come to $507.02. We were sure we could make up the $7 by eating oranges and drinking soda pop between Laredo and Mexico City. (Everyone warned us against the water and



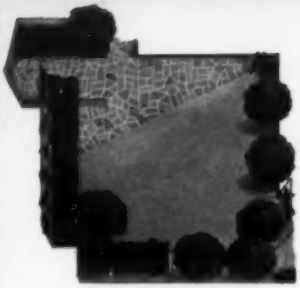
food on this leg of the trip.) John said he would donate the two cents. We got our tourist cards at the Mexican consulate—$3.01 each—and then went back to the bus bureau to get our tickets. The Williamsburg side trip set us back an extra $4.62. That cut down our food allowance for another day but John manfully handed over $188. We also asked the bus bureau to make reservations on the way down for John and me and, from New Orleans on, for Peter and Peggy, too. We made our own reservations in Mexico City at the Maria Cristina instead of at the big, popular tourist hotel, the Geneva.

The Maria Cristina is small and inexpensive. Double rooms run from $3 to $6 and since the hotel has a wonderful reputation, it is difficult to get reservations. John wrote and we got two rooms for about $5 each. Of course, everything is paid in *pesos* which are now about 11.62 to a dollar. We both had to be vaccinated against smallpox as our certificates were more than three years old—another $10 out of our budget. We put $250 into travelers' checks, begrudging the cost—$1.88—but it seemed the only sensible thing to do. John picked up a copy of *Esta Semana* at the Mexican Government Tourist Office, and a map at the Esso Touring Service so we could follow our route. Esso maps also have notes on the important places of interest. Clothes were the least of our problems. John wore his tropical worsted suit and beloved *Dacron* shirt. I wore a gray butcher-linen one-piece dress with a full skirt and my melon-colored wool topcoat; no hat. We packed a navy blue suit, *Dacron* slacks, and a cardigan for John; two sets of slim, colored skirts and blouses I could mix or match, and some cotton-knit tops and a peasant skirt to wear on the bus. I packed my black cocktail dress on the chance that we might have enough money to go to one night club in Mexico. We both wore cool sandals en route and carried two extra pairs of shoes each; comfortable walking shoes (mine with closed heels and toes) and a pair for after dark. These we packed in a soft canvas bag along with our toilet articles which included one large box of facial tissue. The rest of our clothes went in one suitcase.

At last the fateful day in June arrived and we were on our way. Our fellow passengers were more interesting than most of the scenery between New York and Washington, though summer was bursting out all over the farther south we went, and the trees in Maryland were lovely. The passengers were a varied assortment of young, middle-aged, and old. We all seemed to be traveling for different reasons, but two things we had in common: no one was in a hurry, and none of us was a millionaire. We arrived in Williamsburg, but by the time we had freshened up, it was too late to go to the Inn for the Sunday night buffet, so we ate at the Lodge where we were staying and then went over to listen to the Negro spirituals. It was the perfect introduction to a fast-vanishing South, and we went to sleep with their voices ringing in our ears. The next morning we were up early and got the first bus around the town. I loved it all and longed for a house filled with Williamsburg reproductions. We really saw most of the town before we left after lunch.

The ride south to Mobile is a blurred memory of flat tidelands, foothills, dozens of motor courts on the edge of every city, and a blue haze of mountains to the west. From Mobile to New Orleans we followed the Gulf of Mexico under moss-hung oaks, with shrimp fleets and sailboats flecking the blue waters. We reached New Orleans on a blazing hot day about mid-afternoon and dived into our air-conditioned hotel and a shower as fast as we could get there. This was the first real break in our trip—two whole nights in one place—so we didn't have to hurry. When the sun was a little lower we went over to the French market for a "poor boy" sandwich and to Solari's for pecan pie, saving our money for dinner the next day at Galatoire's. Saturday we explored the Vieux Carré which is surprisingly small, took a streetcar to, of all things, the old French cemetery. (Streetcar tracks run between flower beds.) We went back to Solari's for lunch, mostly so that we could watch people point at what they wanted through glass cases—and because the food is so good. Then we visited the International Trade Mart, New Orleans' contribution to world trade and brotherly love. Finally we came back to the hotel to cool off before we went out to dinner, then met Peter and Peggy at the bus station. They were really none the worse for their day and night on the bus, but we all turned in early as we were to leave the next morning for Houston and points west and south.

From New Orleans on, our only ambition was to get to Mexico City as quickly as possible, but we did take time out in San Antonio to get a good night's rest before we tackled the long ride down, and to see a bit of the city. It is charming. We walked along the river to their lovely outdoor theater (the stage on one side and the seats on the other), saw La Villita, a reconstruction of the original Spanish village, and of course, the Alamo. There is no getting away from it: the ride down through Mexico is tough. The highway runs through cactus desert, orange groves, tropical jungle, and finally through spectacular mountains as it climbs from Tamazunchale (most Americans call it Thomas and Charlie) which, at 7,349 feet, is a thousand feet lower than Mexico City. We took a bus which was scheduled to arrive at 6:30 p. m. [Continued on page 121]



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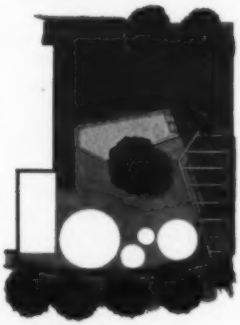
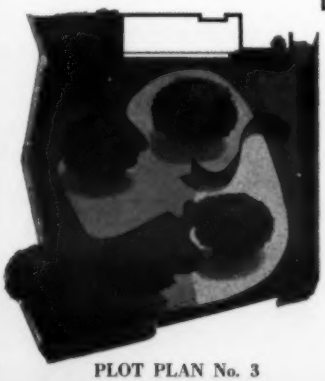


PLOT PLAN No. 2

The day has long since passed when a plot was used merely as a setting for your house. With most homes bursting at the seams under the living demands of families, every spark of intelligence points to the yard as a source of extra living space. The question is not *whether* a plot should be utilized, but *how*. The first step is to put out of mind photographs of elaborate gardens and seemingly endless terraces. They serve only to give you an inferiority complex about your own modest back yard and they certainly have little application to your living problems. Secondly, if you're laboring under the delusion that outdoor living consists of a pile of bricks in the shape of a barbecue pit, you can dispense with that concept, too. Portable barbecue equipment has rendered it obsolete. Outdoor living today means living, dining, entertaining, and playing out of doors for as much of the year as is comfortable in your region. It means creating definite areas for each of these activities, each area planned in terms of the furniture and other equipment needed to make it comfortable and effective. Stylish outdoor furniture has been developed for all these pursuits. It comes in a wide range of prices and with attractive, practical upholstery. Its investment value is doubled because much of it can serve equally well in multipurpose rooms, eliminating the off-season storage bugaboo. Make a long-range plan and implement it as you have time and money. To help you, we show here five outdoor living plans developed by Eckbo, Royston and Williams, famous landscape architects. Their sketches are full of practical ideas because they think in terms of living areas when they plan a plot; all of the plots are average size; all of the schemes can be accomplished by homeowners themselves. We asked five of the country's leading decorators to plan exterior decoration for the plots. Each worked predominately with one type of furniture—steel, aluminum, wrought iron, wood or rattan. The results of this happy collaboration are, we think, full of workable suggestions for your own outdoor living.

EXTERIOR DECORATION ANSWERS A SPACE PROBLEM



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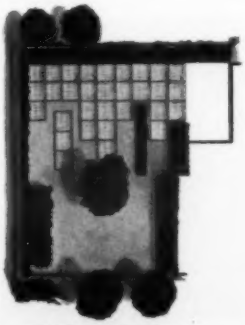

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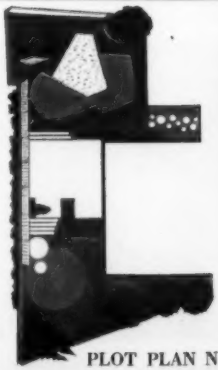
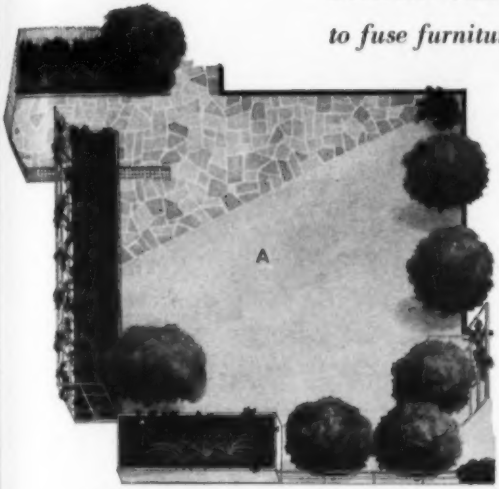


PLOT PLAN No. 5

Decorator James Amster, A.I.D., uses color to fuse furniture and landscaping into actual outdoor rooms



PLOT PLAN No. 1

The enclosure formed by right-angled walls of this home has been dramatized in developing an almost square plot. Against a background of coral walls and beige trim, white painted steel furniture groupings have followed the lead of the landscaping plan: dining terrace is placed near entrance to the house, on a flagstone pavement which cuts across the plot diagonally, increasing the area's apparent width. The living section, where there is less sustained traffic, has been located on the grass. Armless lounge chairs and spring base chairs are upholstered in a white weatherproof plastic covering. The deep roof overhang offers partial protection to activities near the house; the aluminum umbrella can be moved about as needed, its base driven into the ground. The garden light can be similarly placed to afford illumination in any desired area. The three-point hammock of green and orange canvas on a green steel stand provides an ageless kind of outdoor comfort.

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ALL PLOT PLANS: JESSIE AYRES

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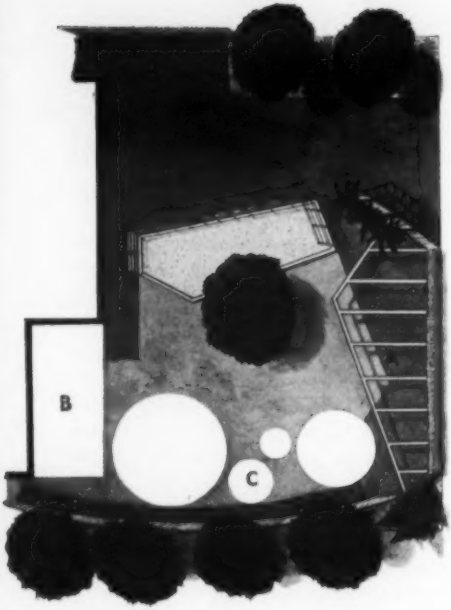

PLOT PLAN No. 2

Melanie Kahane, A.I.D., says: "The variety of well-priced furniture has made the cliché, outdoor living, a reality"

This plot plan illustrates the tremendous variety in outdoor arrangements which are possible when exterior decoration carefully follows a landscaping plan. Landscape architects, Eckbo, Royston and Williams, have attained to a marked degree their goal of "giving a sense of space and definition to the three dimensions of an area, a sort of room quality, although in a much looser sense than in the rooms of a house." Here are not one but three distinct areas in an average-sized plot. A free-standing, demountable pavilion has been made of 2 x 4s sheathed with corrugated panels of structural plastic (below). Melanie Kahane has decorated it for informal entertaining with rattan pieces, a dining group, sofa, a pair of lounge chairs. Sheltered terrace (opposite, top) might have been converted from a carport: low-slung rattan furniture extends relaxation directly from the adjacent interior living area. Open yard is spotted with round, concrete sections; sun bathers can move the graceful rattan chaise from one to the other, according to Sol's peregrinations.

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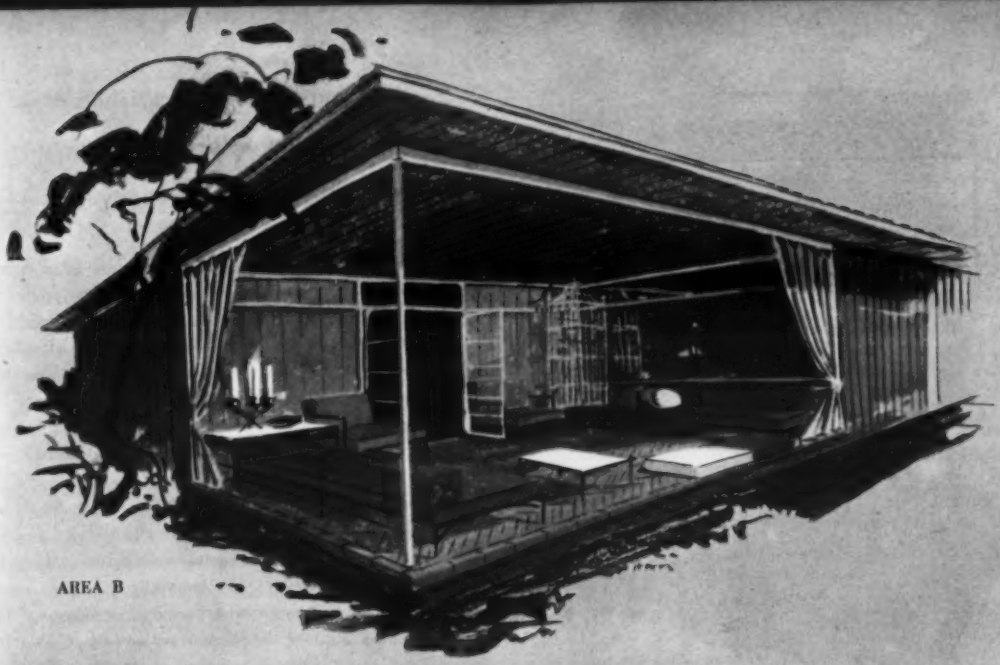

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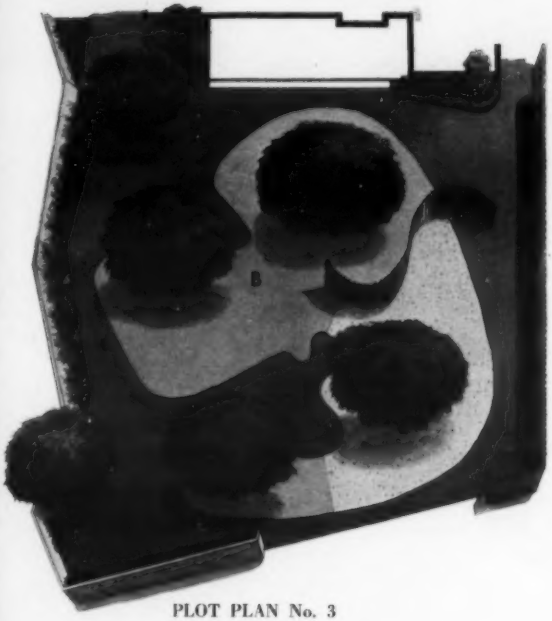


PLOT PLAN No. 3

"The outdoors is primarily a child's world and should be planned for play"—Decorator Dora Brahms, A.I.D.

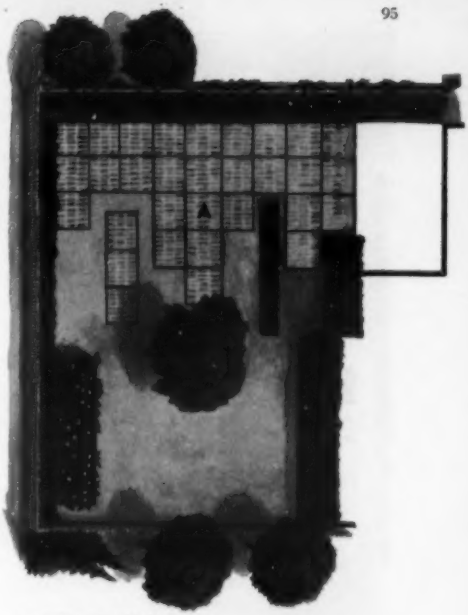
Landscape architect Garrett Eckbo strives for a unified effect so that an observer viewing a garden receives an over-all impression rather than remembering individual elements. In this case the impression is one of a large flowing space—a free-form lawn section interspersed with trees and shrubs and bordered by asphalt paving. Designed for children's play, it aptly suited Dora Brahms' theory: she implemented the plan with sturdy wood furniture, in some cases scaled-down replicas of similar adult pieces. Children's outdoor dining table can be moved about like a wheelbarrow, and the glider-settee, sandbox, and gym are outdoor companions during the greater part of the year. Parents have their own alfresco relaxation and dining spots on a raised terrace with a commanding view of the play scene. The redwood and iron dining table and benches and redwood lounge chairs are handsome additions to a multipurpose room indoors during the winter.

AREA A

AREA B

C. Eugene Stephenson, A.I.D., believes exterior decoration should be somewhat formal and, above all, practical

Disorder and informality are two quite different things, as decorator C. Eugene Stephenson is quick to point out: his outdoor plan, while eminently livable, is nonetheless controlled. The geometric pattern created by redwood-defined squares of concrete has been underscored by a precise arrangement of outdoor furniture. Aluminum cots interlaced with plastic webbing are topped with mattresses which roll up and are stored in the base of the square concrete planter. The cots themselves, like the webbed lounge chairs, are impervious to rain, carrying out the decorator's conviction that outdoor living must be practical. Rushing to get things under cover at the approach of every squall is apt, he feels, to take away much of summer's pleasure. C. Eugene Stephenson recommends that only one or two colors be used in order not to conflict with nature. He has chosen peacock-blue (mattresses, canvas draperies) and chartreuse (dining chairs). The woven fence he painted white, believing it to be one of the most flattering backgrounds for outdoor living.



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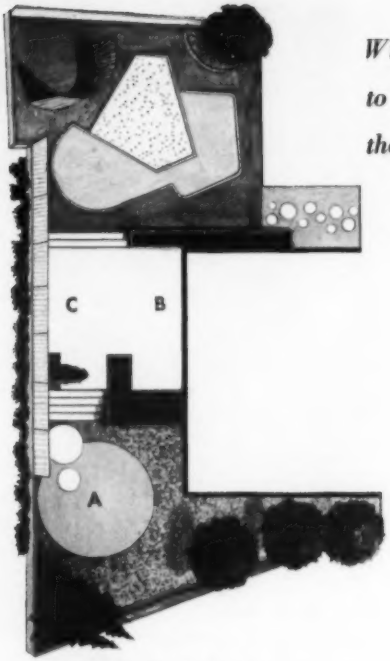

PLOT PLAN No. 5

William Pahlmann, A.I.D., uses color and furniture to unify outdoor living arrangements, to dramatize the inherent texture and pattern of the landscaping

Here is an example of limited yard space being organized to offer quite varied use. Where no terrace existed, a concrete one was built at the side of the house and extended to the property line, the roof line being brought out to shelter part of it. A drop in terrain was utilized to give a distinct and separate outdoor relaxation spot, reached by a short flight of stairs. In the exterior decoration plan, William Pahlmann drew these activities together by adroit use of color and of the same furniture—wrought iron. For the open-air group (below), he chose wicker and iron armchairs and lounge chairs of wrought iron which simulates bamboo. The sofas on the porch are part of the same bamboolike group. Chair seats of the dining group alternate the basic colors of the scheme; benches in these colors and in bright accents stand out dramatically against the white-painted, close-woven picket fence. Texture was a consideration in all landscaping plans: pebbly concrete raised terrace and rounds at the lower level, fences, planters, and plant materials afford strong pattern.

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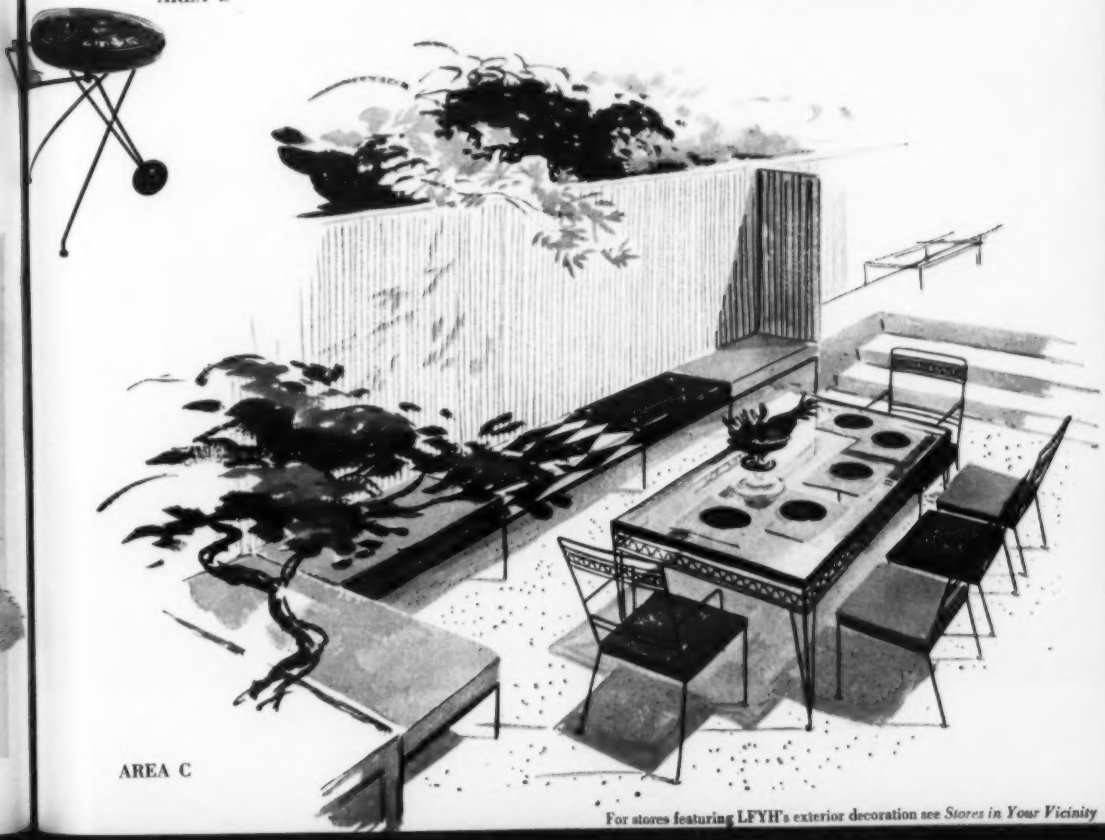

AREA C

For stores featuring LFYH's exterior decoration see *Stores in Your Vicinity*

RED-LETTER DAY FOR A GREENHOUSE

WORK BUILDINGS formerly used in conjunction with the greenhouse were turned into a compact, livable home by young owners, Ralph and Corinne Buesing (below). An existing concrete-block garage was painted; structure adjoining it had been a greenhouse-potting room, was enclosed to form bedroom wing; plans are to finish its exterior in board and batten. Beyond is the living room with a fieldstone fireplace, which they added, a kitchen and a utility room. Their total investment: about $10,500

Compromise being a stern taskmaster, many young people have to do things they don't like, for the sheer expedience of paying the landlord and the grocer. Two years ago, Ralph Buesing was studying business administration by night and selling insurance by day, wishing all the while that he could be practicing horticulture. His wife, Corinne, keeping house in a converted army barracks, longed for a home of their own. Then unexpectedly one day, they came across a property that seemed to solve their problems in one fell swoop. In New City, New York, a greenhouse with several attached buildings and seven and a half acres were for sale, including the remnants of a thriving geranium business. The price was right—$7,500; by their own efforts and with help from both their fathers, they felt they could remodel the buildings into a place where they could work efficiently and live comfortably. And most important, Ralph saw a golden opportunity of entering the field of horticulture professionally. A bargain was struck and the Buesings moved in and set to work. A large work-shed was turned into two rooms, a dining kitchen and a living room. A smaller greenhouse had been used as a potting room; the glazing was ripped down and the structure enclosed to afford two bedrooms and a bath. The hot water heating system of the greenhouse was continued to warm their home, too. Remodeling took two years, cost about $3,000. In decorating, the couple took advantage of the year-round proximity of foliage and flowers, chose colors to blend with their geraniums. When it came to looking for furniture, they picked sturdy pieces with durable upholstery which would let them move back and forth freely between work and relaxation. Meanwhile, the geranium business has been intensively cultivated: the two varieties grown by the former owner—red Olympic and pink Siat—have been continued and there is a ready market among local florists and landscape gardeners. The busy Buesings now plan to build a large patio and swimming pool behind the greenhouse.

JOE LEMUS

WELL-THOUGHT-OUT REMODELING plan turned a rude, 30′ x 14′ shed into bright, comfortable living quarters. Two separate spaces were formed—a 20′ x 14′ living room and a 10′ x 14′ dining kitchen. Decorated in tandem, they give the impression of still being one large area: knotty pine wainscot and stripes of asphalt tile (which owners installed over existing concrete) run through both rooms. Pieces of the same "weathered" oak furniture used in both rooms and, in fact, throughout the house, carry out the informal atmosphere the couple intended. Colors of tweed upholstery and one leather chair were inspired by the greenhouse panorama seen through window. Furniture throughout, Drexel's *Circle D* group; Belrug's *Wanda Plush* cotton rug; Verplex lamps; color-fast *Fiberglas* curtain fabric by Titus Blatter

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GREENHOUSE IS BUSINESS CENTER of the Buesings' home. Ralph has continued the two popular breeds grown by his predecessor, devoting winters almost exclusively to their cultivation. He and Corinne sell the plants to local florists and to landscape architects. Ralph devotes his summers to professional landscaping

THIS PICTURE WINDOW is one which justifies its name. In remodeling, the living room wall was opened up to afford a year-round view of geraniums in greenhouse

LUIS LEMUS

LIVING ROOM doubles as Ralph's office and the sturdy three-drawer oak desk is his headquarters. The wall cupboard on the adjacent wall provides additional storage space for his books and papers. Chimney breast was surfaced in knotty pine paneling; fireplace facing is fieldstone. Fireplace was built around a *Heatilator* unit which circulates the air warmed by the fire

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CONVERSION of former potting room to bedroom included removing glass and replacing with a stud wall, surfaced on the interior with redwood paneling. Wood grain makes an effective setting for solid oak bed, chest, and night table. Beamed ceiling effect was made by applying 2 x 4s, roughed and stained, over gypsum board. The storage wall (right) was built around unpainted chests; doors above are made of redwood paneling

WORK AREA OF KITCHEN was planned around pass-through to living room, so that as she prepares meals, Corinne can keep an eye on proceedings there. Base and wall cabinets which form the dividing wall between the two areas were bought unpainted and unassembled. Here again blending of woods was a prime concern in the decoration plan and, as a result, the round, oak dining table (same generous size as coffee table) seems right at home in the kitchen. It has been set with *Texas Ware* (molded of *Melmac*), chosen in colors to harmonize with the candy-striped curtain fabric and the spatter-patterned wallpaper. The 40-inch electric range fits compactly under window overlooking driveway

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CHRISTOPHER—BOY AT WORK

What parents call work and children play, often turns out, the psychiatrists tell us, to be precisely the same thing. For, playing is the child's occupation and whether he is romping with his pets or feeding them, he is likely to regard both undertakings in the same enthusiastic light. It is only when a child comes to associate unpleasantness with expenditure of energy that he or she balks at work or accepts it grudgingly. It follows that the earliest years of a person's life often determine the attitude toward work that will be held later. Christopher's parents, like many other conscientious mothers and fathers, are aware of this and consequently are indoctrinating him carefully into his share of the necessary household chores. By assigning him duties, and making them fun, his parents are showing that work does not have to be unpleasant. By giving him a feeling of self-importance and security at the same time, his mother and father are painlessly instilling a sense of responsibility. At the beginning, parental supervision of his duties is relaxed and Christopher is allowed to perform a task in his own way, even if it is not the best way. Too harsh criticism of a child's early efforts can crush his will and create hostility. As his ability increases, he is encouraged to perform a task in a more efficient manner, but coercion is avoided. Learning that his efforts contribute to something worth-while—a meal, the growing of plants, or the efficiency of some object he has "helped" repair—he is encouraged to accept duties willingly. Working with parents brings a child closer to them, and over the years pays a dividend in tighter family bonds and mutual respect. In the meantime, unaware of the psychological implications inherent in his new duties, Christopher goes ahead just having a whale of a good time in his exciting role as a small helper about the house.

CHORES AND PLAY can be one and the same to a small child given duties that are within his scope. Christopher finds such activities as preparing "lunch" for his pets (opposite), or bringing in the morning paper genuine fun, and at the same time he is learning valuable lessons in responsibility. Often, Christopher stops between mailbox and home to check the funnies, and the paper sometimes gets a bit rumpled but, in time, his efforts will improve

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PLAYING WITH THE HOSE on a summer's day is hardly work for a small boy, and when Christopher knows he is helping to make the trees and flowers grow he is especially pleased. A gardener himself, Christopher has a plot of scraggly carrots all his own

ANY WASHING OPERATION, such as rinsing down the front porch, is a pleasant task it appears, as Christopher continues to wash everything in sight, his sneakers, his toes, and if they happen to be around, the pups

VERY GROWNUP JOB for Christopher is "helping" father fix the car. He gets to hold and pass the tools, and in doing so, gains greater sense of importance and security

FAVORITE JOB of all, one he does not have to be asked to perform, is bringing in wood. More than any other task, it proves him "a big boy"

NOT SO MUCH FUN is emptying wastebaskets, a chore Christopher enjoys one day, shuns the next. When reluctant to work, he is not pushed, to avoid his associating unpleasantness with work

SKETCHING SESSION always results when Christopher is asked to help with window washing, but panes do eventually get clean! Such tasks let a child exercise his imagination while he works

JOHN GERUTS

SHELLING PEAS is fun, and gives mother company in the kitchen. Permitting a child to help prepare a meal encourages him to eat heartily when it is served

A JOB A CHILD TAKES TO QUICKLY is feeding his pets. Christopher has to be curbed from feeding his enthusiastic charges *too* often. He always flattens the empty dog food cans so "doggie won't catch his nose" in them

A PAUSE AFTER WORK to enjoy a particularly lovely sunset makes a perfect conclusion to a busy afternoon of parent-child teamwork in the garden. If parents will develop the patience to show their children how to do things, encourage them when they falter, use criticism intelligently and, above all, sparingly, the bond between parent and child will grow lastingly as the child matures

A KITCHEN THAT TAKES IT EASY

- *You can sit while you work*
- *Laborsavers are within easy reach*
- *Dishwasher is strategically placed*
- *Sink-work is efficient, comfortable*
- *Vinyl surfaces need only be sponged*
- *Storage space is appliance-related*

You can sit while you work

Yesterday's kitchen was strictly for the standee. Only when scientists disclosed that it requires more than two hours to recover from the fatigue caused by twenty minutes of stooping over a too-low counter did the kitchen rearrange itself

- Range, refrigerator, *Duomatic* washer, dryer ..... BENDIX
- *Broil-King* rotisserie ..... INTERNATIONAL APPLIANCE

Laborsavers are within easy reach

Small electrical appliances, like the broiler, the deep fat fryer, and the blender, are too often kept inaccessibly on an out-of-the-way shelf, and consequently, too seldom used. In this kitchen, they are ranged on a raised ledge of a work counter—easily reached, well supplied with electric outlets

Dishwasher is strategically placed

A dishwasher is definitely its own reward when it is properly placed. This one is between range and sink; pots and pans are stored in range compartment, dishes in cabinets at upper left

ERNEST SILVA

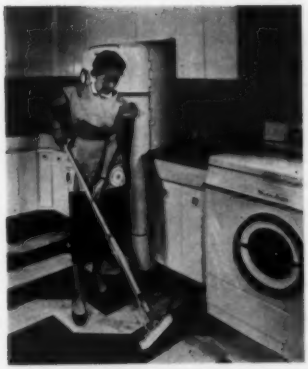
The most thoughtfully planned kitchen, while kind to the vertebrae, can tire the eye excessively if no care has been taken with its decoration. In this one, a great deal of thought was given to color. The floor is pink, gray, and red vinyl tiling laid in a three dimensional pattern. Walls and counter tops repeat the same pink vinyl, and a red and pink floral print hangs at the window and forms a valance around three sides of the room. All appliances are white; cabinets are metal with a minimum of knobs and hinges. Lightweight, portable stools are upholstered in lime-green plastic and do duty at snack bar, sink, washer-dryer unit, and anywhere else this happy housewife may wish to whistle at her work

Storage space is appliance-related

Storage space, to cut down kitchen mileage, should be placed and used strategically. Here, each appliance has its own bank of cabinets reserved for only those objects having a direct relationship to the appliance itself

Sink-work is efficient, comfortable

Many kitchen tasks can be done nowhere except at the sink, or in it. One can sit, in a manner, at any sink, but at this one, one sits in comfort. Lower cabinet doors open to provide ample room for even the long-legged



Vinyl surfaces need only be sponged

Housemaid's knee (or back) has no place in this kitchen. Floor, counter tops, walls are all vinyl-surfaced with carefully coved corners for easy cleaning: a hand sponge for walls and counters; a handled sponge which rings itself out for floor

- **Vinyl flooring, counter top, and wall covering** ..... GOODYEAR
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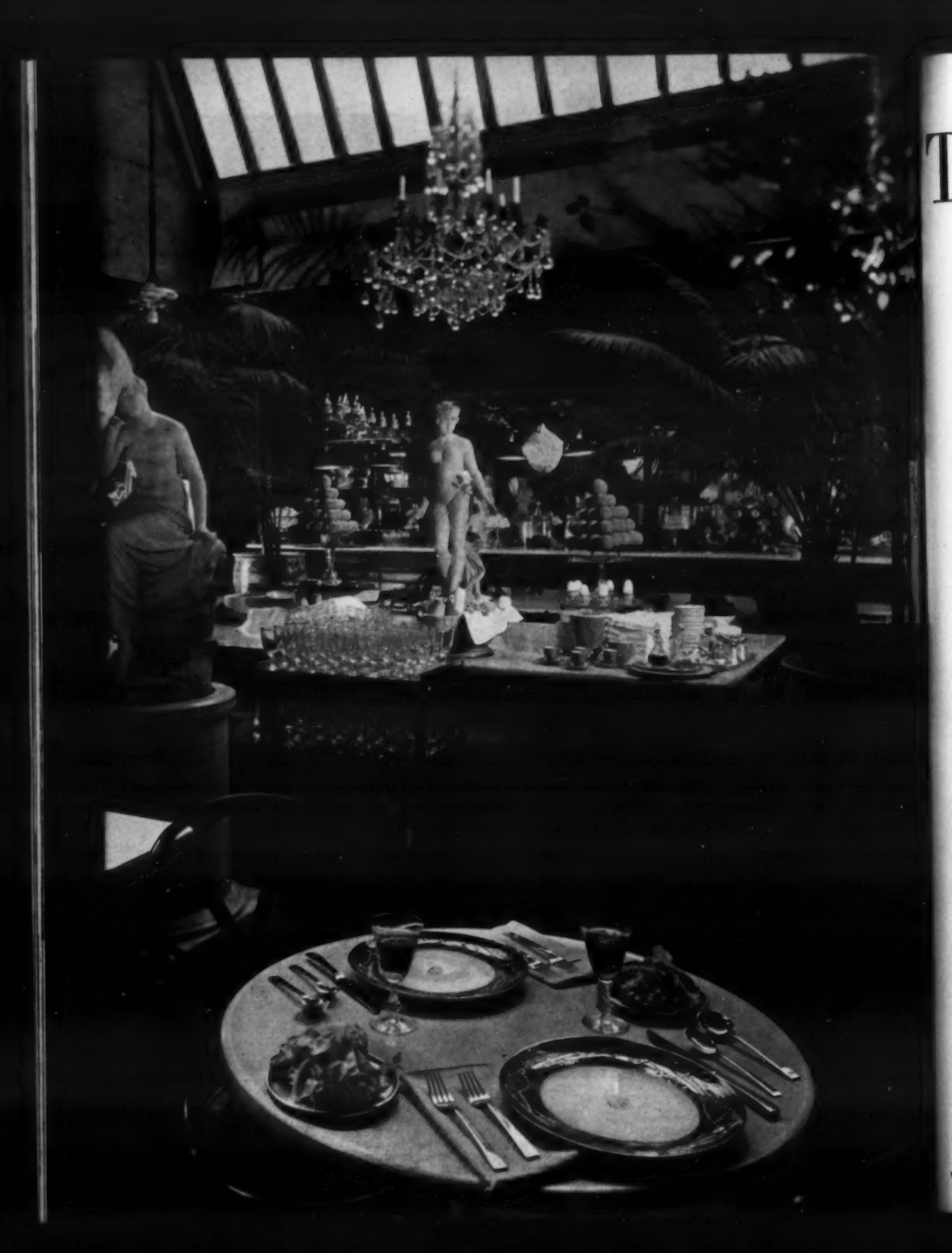


TRY A PARIS LABEL ON YOUR TABLE

THESE TABLE SETTINGS were designed to be a breath of Paris so deceptive that you would find it difficult to believe that both the china and the photographs were made in New York. On the opposite page, a marble-topped table is the scene of a dinner rendezvous for two at Café Nicholson. Hand-painted china is the *Versailles* pattern; sterling is the *Continental* pattern by International. Below, and keeping to the French theme are *Joan of Arc* sterling and the *Deauville* dinner plate at Le Bistro. Above, the red-checkered tablecloth—proud badge of a French restaurant—is the background for *Alsace* china and Heirloom Sterling, the *Stanton Hall* pattern, at La Cave Henri IV. A scene at La Chaumière (left) highlights the *La Reine* china pattern and Samuel Kirk's *Quadrille* sterling. China in all settings is Royal Jackson, the *Parisienne* coupe shape; glassware at the table on the opposite page by Bryce Brothers; all other by West Virginia Glass

In matters of style France has been a source of inspiration for the whole world, and a gown or bonnet with a Paris label has traditionally evoked in American owners a justifiable sense of pride. However, the product of French inspiration, in a less exalted price bracket, can give just as much pleasure to the housewife of today as a fabulous original. A recent case in point is china, designed in shape and pattern by French artists and ceramists, and executed here in America. Designers were prize-winners in a competition sponsored jointly by the Manufacture Nationale de Sèvres in Paris and the Jackson China Company of New York. To prove that attractive china, sterling, and crystal can enhance the enjoyment of fine food, we have set four tables in New York restaurants which, to us, are overwhelmingly French in their flavor.

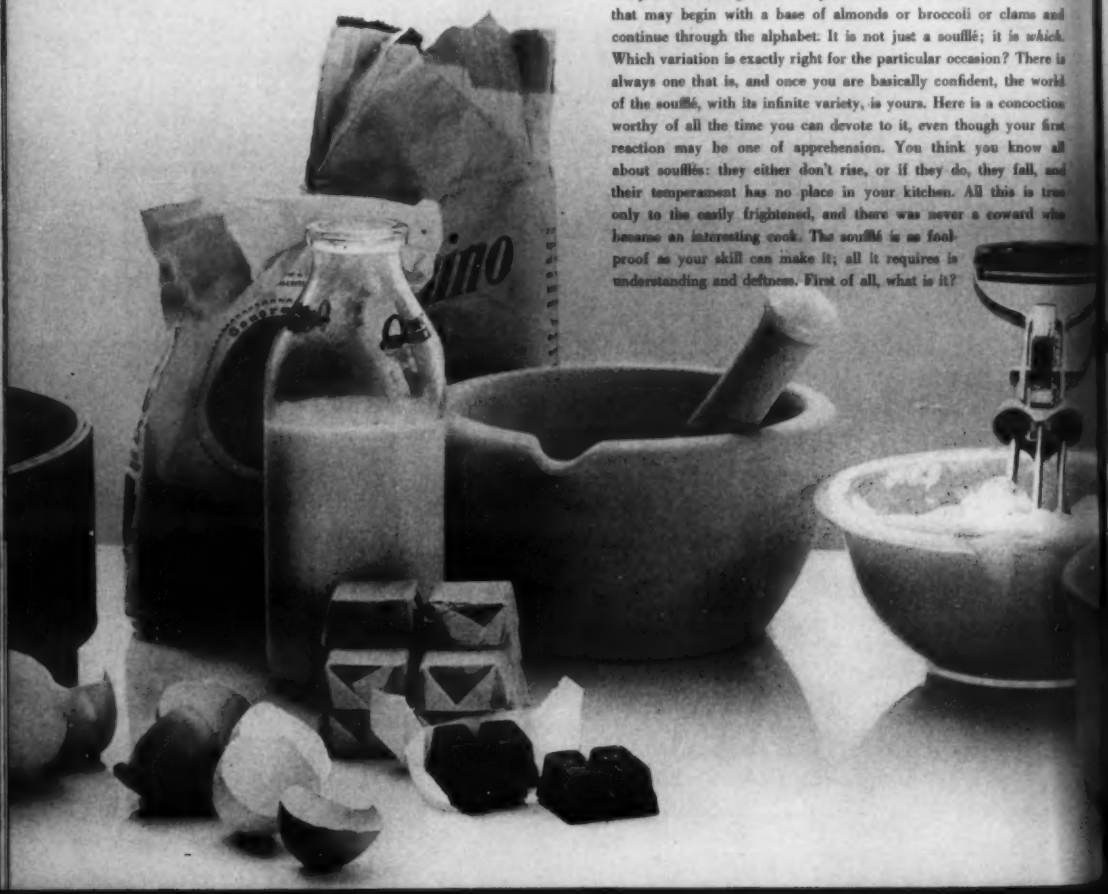
See *Your Guide to This Issue* for further information

ELIN LEWIS

By LILLIAN LANGSETH-CHRISTENSEN

DON'T BE A TWO-WORD COOK

Meat and potatoes are very good things indeed, but if they are the sum total of your culinary knowledge, it is time for your talent to grow up. Creative cooking requires the same kind of intellectual curiosity as building a command of the English language. Like the successful etymologist, who *savors* each new word he adds to his vocabulary, the creative cook makes an exhaustive study of each new dish until she masters it, probing its possibilities and experimenting with its variations until it becomes as much a part of her repertory as the words of a Shakespearean soliloquy are to an actor. Food may not be quite so esoteric a study as etymology, but to the ardent disciple, it packs just as much of a wallop. It is a universal language that everyone understands, provided that it is spoken as articulately as possible. The first step in improving your cooking vocabulary is to study a dish you admire, but for reasons known only to yourself, seldom or never cook. The soufflé is an excellent starting point. The word itself is comprehensive, a gourmet's Open Sesame to a hundred variations that may begin with a base of almonds or broccoli or clams and continue through the alphabet. It is not just a soufflé; it is *which*. Which variation is exactly right for the particular occasion? There is always one that is, and once you are basically confident, the world of the soufflé, with its infinite variety, is yours. Here is a concoction worthy of all the time you can devote to it, even though your first reaction may be one of apprehension. You think you know all about soufflés: they either don't rise, or if they do, they fall, and their temperament has no place in your kitchen. All this is true only to the easily frightened, and there was never a coward who became an interesting cook. The soufflé is as foolproof as your skill can make it; all it requires is understanding and deftness. First of all, what is it?



It is a light, hot, puffy dish composed of egg yolks, a cream sauce, and an essence folded gently into stiffly beaten egg whites. There is surely nothing formidable about *that*. What are its virtues? It is one of the most delicious things to eat ever devised by the French, to whom food is both a science and a passion. It is economical, it can be made of leftovers, and it is still, and ironically, impressive. It is an ideal entree for the intimate supper and the informal luncheon, and in a sweet variation, a superb dessert for the formal dinner. It is all things to all cooks who have made it a part, perfect and permanent, of their cooking vocabulary. First, and most desirable from the entree point of view, is the cream-sauce type. With a base of fish, meat, vegetables, or cheese, and served with a salad and crisp bread, it is the perfect solution to menu doldrums. The sweet versions, which can be made with pastry cream as well as cream sauce, are dinner desserts as long as one remembers that all soufflés demand the oven to themselves, there to brood and puff undisturbed. A third kind owes its existence to the old Emperor Franz Joseph of Austria who, not content with perfection, liked his soufflé broken up and fried for a few minutes in butter. It is called *Kaiser Schmarrn* (difficult to say but not to eat) and with true Viennese elegance, it can be embellished with brandy-soaked raisins and dusted with sugar permeated with the fragrance of the vanilla bean. Now, to get down to business: as a mastery of language involves words and how to use them, so creative cooking demands a precise knowledge of ingredients and techniques. Take your courage and saucepan in hand, and melt three tablespoons of butter over direct, low heat; blend in two tablespoons of flour and cook slowly for three to five minutes, stirring constantly. Do not let it brown. Add milk or any called-for liquid slowly, still stirring constantly, and after it comes to a boil let it cook one minute. Then add the essence (fish, meat, vegetables, or cheese), and finally, that certain extra something that will take it out of the common variety of soufflé. Separate the eggs, add the well-beaten yolks to the cream-sauce mixture and cook again over low heat, stirring constantly, for about two minutes. Do not let the mixture boil. At this point, you can put the whole thing aside to await the evening or, once the mixture is cool, go right ahead and fold in the stiffly beaten egg whites. Flavoring, liqueur, and puréed fruit are added to the cooled mixture before the stiff whites. The eggs are folded in just before the soufflé goes into the oven. A pinch of salt added, they should be beaten very stiffly and then left to stand for ten to twenty minutes. Do something else for awhile, then return to your whites and, once again, beat the daylights out of them. By now they will be so aerated that they couldn't collapse if they tried. Fold about two-thirds of the beaten whites into the *cooled* cream sauce, working quickly and lightly to incorporate as much air as possible. Then add the remaining whites, and pour the mixture into a round baking dish with straight sides. If it is a dessert soufflé, butter the dish generously and dust it with sugar. An entree soufflé may be baked in a greased or ungreased dish. If ungreased (and if your oven is temperamental) set the dish in a pan of hot water. Whatever your method, set the oven at 375° F., put in the soufflé, and forget about it for at least 45 minutes. The temperature must be constant, and the soufflé must be unwatched. It is *not* compatible with Peeping Toms. Should your baking dish not be large enough to accommodate the entire mixture with allowance for the rise, tie a well-greased paper cuff around the dish with a string in a bowknot, so that a single tug will remove it. This will take care of the most phenomenal puffing-up. The finished top may crack or remain smooth, but it will have a professional look if, before baking, a spoon is run in a circle around the top about an inch from the edge. The dessert soufflé may be built on a base of pastry cream *(crème pâtisserie*, as the French have it) which is plain éclair filling [Continued on page 125]

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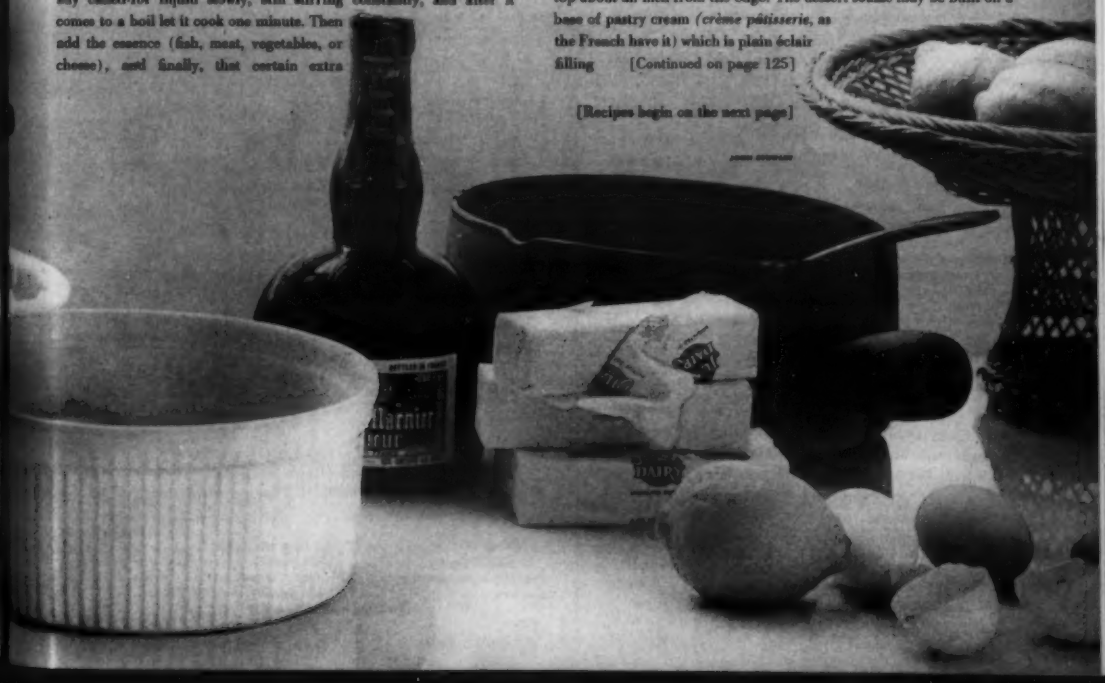

SPINACH SOUFFLÉ

Many an enraged infant has spattered the wall with spinach and grown up to regard it with a jaundiced eye. This is a way to instill a new enthusiasm. To keep the oven free for this particular delicacy, serve it with boiled tongue or chicken.

1 package washed spinach or 1 pound fresh spinach
3 tablespoons butter
4 tablespoons flour
½ cup bouillon
½ cup spinach water
¼ cup chopped onion
3 egg yolks
4 egg whites
salt
1 teaspoon grated Parmesan cheese for top

- Boil spinach in ½ cup water, drain and retain the water.
- Put spinach and onion into blender or food chopper to make a smooth purée.
- Melt butter in saucepan or skillet over low heat.
- Blend in flour slowly, cook, stirring constantly, 3 to 5 minutes. Do not brown.
- Add bouillon and spinach water slowly, stirring constantly, let it cook 1 minute after it comes to a boil.
- Separate eggs, beat yolks well and add them to cream sauce. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, for about 2 minutes. Do not let mixture boil.
- Remove sauce from heat; cool. Add spinach and onion purée, salt.
- Beat egg whites until stiff.
- Add about ⅔ of the stiff whites to cooled mixture, fold in lightly but thoroughly. Add remaining egg whites, folding quickly and gently.
- Turn into ungreased 1½ quart baking dish, dust top with cheese, place dish in pan of water and bake for 45 minutes in a 375°F. oven.
- Serve with mushroom sauce; serves 5. Add 1 yolk and one stiff white for six people.

FISH SOUFFLÉ

This is such a good main-dish soufflé that it calls for guests and gay goings-on. Serve it with white wine sauce, white wine to drink, a green salad, dill bread, and a fruit dessert. You will feel as though you had dined with a king.

2 packages frozen flounder or any other white fish
2 cups of water
½ onion
½ carrot
⅓ celery stalk
4 peppercorns
1 bayleaf
1 tablespoon vinegar
½ teaspoon salt
3 tablespoons butter
4 tablespoons flour
1 tablespoon chopped fresh dill (use dry dill if fresh is not available)
4 egg yolks
5 egg whites
⅛ teaspoon salt

- Combine the two cups of water and the onion, carrot, celery, pepper, bayleaf, vinegar and salt. Simmer for a few minutes and add the fish, preferably flounder or sole.
- Simmer fish until done, remove from broth, continue to boil broth to reduce to 1 cup. Strain, and retain it to make cream sauce.
- Put fish through meat grinder. There should be 1½ cups packed, or 2 cups loosely packed.
- Make the sauce of butter, flour and 1 cup of fish broth, as for spinach soufflé.
- Separate the eggs and continue as for spinach soufflé.
- Add fish and dill to cooled cream sauce.
- Beat egg whites very stiffly, add salt while beating; fold into mixture and turn into an ungreased 1½ quart baking dish.
- Place dish in pan of water and place in a 375°F. oven. Bake for 1 hour.

WHITE WINE SAUCE FOR FISH SOUFFLÉ

2 egg yolks
¾ cup olive oil
2 tablespoons wine vinegar
3 tablespoons white wine
¼ teaspoon pepper
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon dry mustard
1 tablespoon sugar
1 tablespoon chopped fresh dill or dried dill

As some wines are much sweeter than others, the amount of sugar and salt for this sauce must be used according to taste. The above measurements are for a dry white wine.

- Put egg yolks in blender or mixer with the wine and vinegar, add pepper, salt, mustard, and sugar and beat until all is dissolved.
- Add oil very slowly as for mayonnaise, beating constantly; add the dill for the last ½ minute in the blender.
- Chill if desired; it is a cold sauce for a hot soufflé.

HAM SOUFFLÉ

Ham, due to its size, always leaves leftovers to be coped with. Combined with chopped red pimientos and green peppers, it becomes a main-dish soufflé to be blissfully wedded to asparagus with brown butter.

1 cup cooked, finely chopped ham
3 tablespoons butter
3 tablespoons flour
1 cup milk
3 egg yolks
4 egg whites
1 tablespoon chopped green pepper
1 tablespoon chopped pimiento
1 tablespoon chopped onion
½ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon prepared mustard

- Combine flour and butter as for spinach soufflé.
- Add milk and egg yolks as for spinach soufflé.
- Chop the ham finely or put it through the meat grinder.
- Combine it with the chopped pepper, pimiento and onion.
- Add salt, mustard, and add it to white sauce mixture.
- Add stiffly beaten egg whites as in spinach soufflé, and turn into an ungreased 1½ quart baking dish.
- Place dish in pan of hot water and bake in a 375°F. oven for 1 hour and 10 minutes.
- Serves 4 to 5. Add 1 yolk and one stiff white for 6 people.

CHEESE SOUFFLÉ

This, the grandfather of all soufflés, is a main dish that cries out for green salad, crisp bread, wine, and sunshine.

½ pound Swiss cheese, grated, or put through chopper
2 tablespoons butter
3 tablespoons flour
1½ cups top milk
3 egg yolks
4 egg whites
2 tablespoons chopped chives
salt and pepper to taste

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wo amateurs steal a leaf from the builders' book

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LOSE-UP shows outdoor grill-table which was signed by Charlotte Altman. It is a welded iron box on legs with a removable grill of expanded metal with handles, so that the grill can be passed like a tray. A top of asbestos-cement, off-white in color and impervious to weather, fits over the grill and is held in place by handles. Top transforms unit to a good-sized outdoor coffee table when it's not needed for barbecuing

XTRA-LONG DINING TABLE (4' x 8') is a surplus navy drawing board attached to iron legs. Ground cork on a burlap backing was cemented to it and a gumwood edge was applied to give a finished appearance. Table provides an excellent surface for dining because it is sound-deadening, heat-and spotproof. Charlotte Altman, who makes all her own clothes, uses it as a sewing and worktable, even sticks pins in it. Table also makes a fine desk for Jim Altman's evening work projects. It will accommodate eight for dining

INNER SEATING BENCHES are made of 2 x 6 clear fir boards; legs are 12-inch machine bolts. Back for bolsters of bench along windows is formed by the wood heating baffle; other bolsters are against the wall. Both seating units pull out to make heating system accessible. These benches are the Altmans' only guest sleeping accommodations: they hold extra-long (8 feet) mattresses, 30 inches wide and 4½ inches deep, upholstered in heavy woven fabric of linen, wool, sisal

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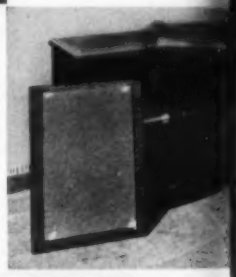
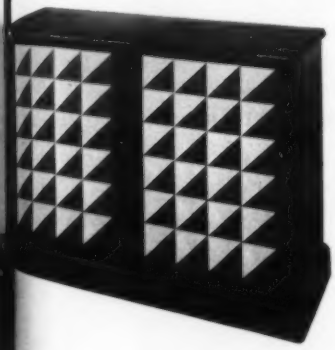
BEFORE REFURBISHING began, this chest was an uninspiring study in delapidation. Its top was broken and the front panels were weathered. In this condition it was picked up for five dollars at a secondhand furniture shop



FIRST STEPS were to remove the two hinged panel doors and repair the top. A sheet of *Masonite* was cut the size of chest top and secured with finishing nails. The edges of the new top were filed and sandpapered. Where doors had been chipped, *Plastic Wood* was applied

REDECORATING OF PANELS was undertaken with the aid of a leathercraft kit, consisting of leather triangles of various colors and adhesive materials. Because leather applies more neatly on a perfectly flat surface, hardboard panels were cut (sized slightly less than doors of chest) and mounted to them. After working out a pattern with triangles, they were glued in position onto the hardboard. The kit is by Leather World

FINAL SMOOTHING of leather triangles is done by use of boning tool included with kit. This works out any ripples or unevenness on surface. Any adhesive that has worked up through meeting edges of triangles can be removed with damp cloth



TRANSFORMATION is completed by replacement of panels and a fresh coat of paint. At a cost of less than fifteen dollars, a serviceable and highly attractive piece of furniture has been created

DECORATIVE, LEATHER-TOPPED card table is another easily made piece of furniture. Table top is sheet of ¾-inch plywood covered by leather squares and triangles applied same way as panels above. Table legs are 1 x 2s joined to 1 x 3s to give square corner effect; 1 x 3s were used for apron

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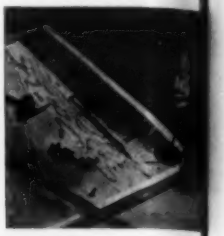
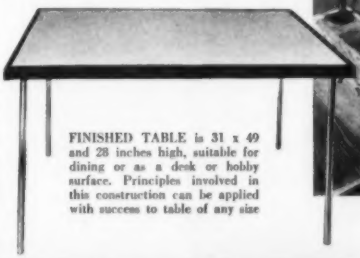


LARGE OCCASIONAL TABLE was made in an evening from inexpensive materials. Table top was formed of ½-inch plywood with lengths of 1 x 2 clear pine nailed around four sides to form an apron. On underside of top, two ¼-inch plywood strips were attached to give better purchase to screws which secure common plumbers' pipe flanges; flanges were placed in corners and secured to table. Legs of table are ½-inch iron pipe threaded at one end to fit flanges. To give table appearance of brass legs, a bit of cost-paring artifice was applied: the plumbers' pipe was wrapped around with masking tape, then lengths of hollow drapery brass rod, cut to proper size, were slipped over taped pipe legs. Masking tape makes hollow rods snug fitting



FINISHED TABLE is 31 x 49 and 28 inches high, suitable for dining or as a desk or hobby surface. Principles involved in this construction can be applied with success to table of any size

MODERN COFFEE TABLE is an interesting study in design and surfacing, yet surprisingly simple to make. Top and two ends are ¾-inch plywood; these are joined together and braced by two lengths of 2 x 4s inside meeting corners. To give table appearance of thickness, 1 x 2 filler piece was attached under top of table, meeting vertical 1 x 2s attached similarly to ends. Final step was to cover top, ends, and 1 x 2s with tortoise-shell plastic-coated paper (by Laverne), securing paper with *Modocol* to wood surfaces

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BUILDING DATA

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ARCHITECT: J. WESLEY LEAKE

House package	panelized and precut structural parts, cabinets, snack bar	Crawford Corp.
Foundation	concrete slab on grade	
Waterproofing & dampproofing	*Richkraft* paper	Richkraft
Insulation	perimeter: *Fiberglas* ceiling: 2" *Fiberglas* blankets	Owens-Corning Fiberglas
Floor surfacing	oak plywood blocks in mastic on slab	Plyfloor
	bath: ceramic tile	National Tile & Mfg.
Roof surfacing	built-up 3 ply	Flintkote
Surfacing: exterior	double coursed cedar shakes	
interior	*Sheetrock* and reflective surfaced insulating *Sheetrock*	United States Gypsum
	ceramic tile wainscot in bath	United States Quarry Tile
Paints and stains		
exterior	*Cabot's* heavy-bodied stain	Samuel Cabot
interior	trim: *SWP*	Sherwin-Williams
	Super Kem-Tone	Sherwin-Williams & allied companies
Doors: exterior	1¾" *Malarkey* fir panel	M & M Wood Working
interior	hollow core Philippine mahogany	Breece Plywood
closet hardware	*Glide-All*	Woodall Industries
	solid brass residential lock sets	Yale & Towne
Sash		
glass	single strength "B" grade	Libbey-Owens-Ford
hardware	*Invizible* sash balances	Grand Rapids Hardware
Weather stripping	metal	Monarch Metal Weatherstrip
Heating	forced warm-air, *Perima-flo* radial distribution under slab to floor registers, down-flow natural gas-fired furnace	Lennox Furnace
Air-conditioner	Package *CH**	Lennox Furnace
Electrical	*Pushmatic* 20 circuit *Electri-Center*	Bulldog Electric Products
	lighting fixtures	Moe Light
	Nutone door chimes	Nutone
Plumbing		
water heater	40 gallon *Coppermatic*	Rheem
	bathroom fixtures	Richmond Radiator
	white, solid	Swedish Crucible Steel
	Olsonite toilet seat	
	cabinet	F. H. Lawson
	Briggs Beautyware kitchen sink	Briggs Mfg.
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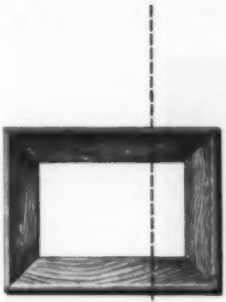

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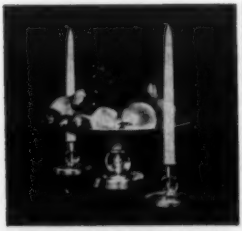

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The Emporium, San Francisco
The White House, San Francisco
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Shafner's, Inc., New London
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Smith Furn. Co., Haines City
Burdine's, Inc., Miami
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Cox Furn. Co., Tallahassee
Warren Furn. Co., Winter Park

Georgia
Kenny Furn. Co., Inc., Atlanta
Maxwell Bros. Co., Columbus
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Page Furn. Co., Hartwell

Idaho
Lewiston Furn. Co., Lewiston

Illinois
John M. Smyth Co., Chicago
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Daniels & Clark, Inc., Elgin
Jahn's Home Furnishings, Fulton
Geo. E. Lee Furn. Co., Hinsdale
Teegarden Furn. Co., Lawrenceville
Gibsons of Mattoon, Inc., Mattoon
Allan Furn. Co., Ottawa
Grossweiler's, Pekin
Kemner's, Quincy
Larson's Furniture, Inc., Rockford
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John Bressmer Co., Springfield
Gilpin Furn. Co., Taylorville

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R. & G. Furn. Co., Evansville
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Rowlands Co., Ft. Wayne
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Lloyd's of Woodmar Furn. Co., Hammond
Wm. H. Block Co., Indianapolis
National Furn. Co., Indianapolis
Tropic Shop, Indianapolis
Fosdick's, Inc., Muncie
Taff Furn. Co., Rushville
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Green Furn. Co., McPherson
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Hardin Furn. Co., Elizabethtown
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Fitzgerald & Sons Furn. Co., Henderson
Fayette Furn. Co., Lexington
Leet Bros., Lexington
White Furn. Co., Middlesboro

Maine
Friedman Furn. Co., Bangor
New England Furn. Co., Lewiston

Maryland
Berlin & Lewis, Baltimore
Comprecht & Benesch, Baltimore
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Beck & Egan, Adrian
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Robinson Furn. Co., Detroit
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Troost Bros., Niles
Waite's, Inc., Pontiac
Triangle Furn. Co., Royal Oak
Henry Feige & Son, Saginaw

Minnesota
Donovan Furn. Co., Hopkins
Landkamer Bros. Co., Mankato
The Emporium, St. Paul
Schuneman's, Inc., St. Paul
N. L. Hanson Furn. Co., Worthington

Mississippi
Batte Furn Co., Jackson
Jackson Furn. Co., Jackson

Missouri
Newman's Furn. Co., Joplin
Macy's Kansas City, Kansas City
Scrugge-Vandervoort-Barney, Inc., St. Louis
Tropic Shop, Inc., St. Louis
McLaughlin Bros., Sedalia
J. Fred Long Furn. Shop, Springfield

Montana
Elliot's, Inc., Billings

Nebraska
Beaman & Pelmus, Fullerton
Swan's Furniture, Hastings
Gold & Co., Lincoln
Miller & Paine, Inc., Lincoln
Swan's Furniture, McCook
Matt Furn. Co., Norfolk
Orchard & Wilhelm Co., Omaha

Nevada
Sheppard's Furn. & Carpet Co., Las Vegas

New Hampshire
Bowler, Jones & Page, Inc., Keene
Fournier's Hillsboro Furn. Mart, Inc., Manchester

New Jersey
Lowe Furn Co., Boonton
Haddon Wayside, Camden
Packard's, Hackensack
E. J. Fath Co., Millville
L. Bamberger & Co., Newark
Middlesex Furn. Co., New Brunswick
Gold Furn Co., Orange
La Grosa Outdoor & Casual Furn., Paramus
Clark McCaffrey Furn. Co., Paterson
Miron's, Plainfield
Riverside Home Supply Co., Riverside
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John G. Myers Co., Albany
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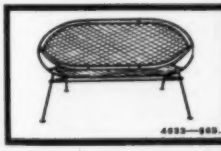

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Morrison Neese Furn Co., Greensboro
Rodden Furn. Store, High Point
Taylor Furn. Co., Roanoke Rapids
Person Furn. Co., Roxboro
R. W. Norman Co., Salisbury

North Dakota
Rausch Furn. Co., Bismarck
Marshall Wells Stores, Dickinson
Kennelly Furn. Co., Mandan

Ohio
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Finleyville Furn. Co., Finleyville
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Hart Furn. Co., Pittsburgh
Rosenbaum's, Pittsburgh
L. Hummel's Sons, Pottsville
Wolf Furn. Co., Sayre
Stoehr & Fister, Scranton
Lugg & Edmonds, Tyrone
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Westerly Furn. Co., Westerly

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Bridges Furn. Co., Columbia
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South Dakota
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Tennessee
Fowler Bros. Co., Chattanooga
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Harley-Holt Co., Nashville
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Texas
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Allen Furn. Co., Corpus Christi
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Schauer & Schumacher, Green Bay
Town & Country House, Madison
Kosciuszko Furn. Stores, Milwaukee
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Mexican hay ride in a motor coach

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in order not to miss the most dramatic part of the highway in daytime, and to miss the hottest part at night.

The trip was fun. There were four attractive Mexican business girls who spoke English and who had been to San Antonio on a shopping spree; there were other tourists like ourselves who chose this way because it is so beautiful. When it got dark the four of us decided to do a little harmonizing. Before long everyone joined in and by the time the second "dawn came up like thunder," we were all buddies. Nevertheless, the Maria Cristina Hotel in Mexico City seemed like heaven at the end. The air was cool and filled with the odor of flowers, our rooms were charming. We fell into bed as soon as we finished dinner, the great snowy peaks of the mountains still shining in our memories.

The next five and a half days were busy. Armed with a new copy of *Esta Semana* which we found at the desk, we started out on foot to see the city, the boys setting the pace. Peggy and I walked behind, gaping at everything whether it was a modern skyscraper, or an Indian wrapped in his serape against the morning chill. The Maria Cristina is just off the Paseo de la Reforma, surely one of the most beautiful streets in the world, so it was simple to follow it to Mexico's main streets, the Avenida Juarez where the Mexican Government Tourist Office is located, and its continuation, the Avenida Madero which leads straight to the Zócalo, the heart of old Mexico. Here is the cathedral built on Aztec foundations and the Museum of Religious Art where famous jewels are kept. Then we went on to the National Palace, also on the square, to see Diego Rivera's murals and the Independence Bell which is rung every year on September 15, the eve of Mexico's Independence Day. By this time it was almost noon, the sun was burning, and the altitude had begun to affect us. We retraced our steps to Sanborns and had lunch. Sanborns is a sort of norm for everything in Mexico —food, silver, clothes, alligator

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handbags, in fact, almost anything you want. Check the prices there, and you will know approximately what you should pay anywhere. We looked around after lunch and then decided to take a siesta as all Mexicans do. We were very extravagant. We took a first-class bus which has curtains at the windows and doesn't permit anyone aboard carrying a package. The fare is twenty-five Mexican cents, about three of ours! Fare on second-class buses is fifteen Mexican cents, but they are so crowded we didn't see how we would get off if we ever succeeded in getting on.

Later we took a bus up the Paseo de la Reforma to Chapultepec Park and walked through the gardens before we climbed up to the castle which was the inspiration for the theme song of the United States Marines—*From the Halls of Montezuma*. The view over the city is superb, and we stayed up there until sunset—the sun goes down promptly at six—and came back to the Geneva (the Mexicans pronounce it Heneva) for dinner.

We had spent so little money so far that we decided to take a tour to the Pyramids of Teotihuacán the second morning with a guide, and we wouldn't advise anyone, except an archaeologist, to go without one. The whole history of Mexico is written in these pyramids, especially in the superb stone carvings, and Mexican guides must pass an examination in history and art before they are licensed.

We had made arrangements at the desk the first day we were there for four seats at $1.50 each in a first-class bus to Taxco on our third day, to stay overnight at the Victoria there, and to proceed the following morning to Cuernavaca, then back to Mexico City for the night. The bus turned out to be a seven-passenger car.

The ride to Taxco is breathtaking. However you leave the capital, you must climb over the mountains that surround it. There were marvelous views of Popo and the Sleeping Lady all the way. Popo is almost 18,000 feet and the Sleeping Lady more than 15,000. Her name is Ixtaccihuatl. If you can pronounce it, you are good. Taxco is an old mining

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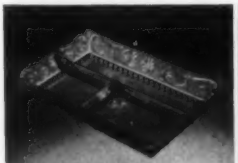

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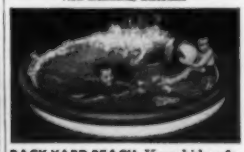

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town clinging to the side of a mountain. We checked into the hotel, had lunch on the terrace, and then went sightseeing and shopping. It is full of writers and artists and, because it is a national monument, it is a real tourist town but no one could dispute its beauty, and it was fun to watch the silversmiths. The silver was a little cheaper than in Mexico City, and John bought me a beautiful set of bracelets with a bill he pulled out of his hat.

We got an early start the next morning to Cuernavaca and loved it—the pretty pastel houses, the palace of Cortéz, the Borda gardens, Indians cooking on their braziers in the streets. It was Sunday and the whole town was out. We all wished we could have stayed longer, but were back in Mexico City in time for dinner at the Maria Cristina.

Another day and a half in Mexico and so much still to see. We decided to go shopping in the markets in the morning and take a bus to Xochimilco for lunch and a ride in one of the flower-bedecked boats. I suppose it would have been more colorful on a holiday and more romantic on a moonlit night, but the canals and flowers were beautiful, anyway. Mexico is filled with flowers in June—all the flowers of the temperate zone—carnations, gladioli, violets, roses. We went to tea at the elegant Del Prado, then counted our money and decided we could really splurge on our last night. We went to the Ambassadeurs, dined simply, danced madly, and got out for about $25.

Don't ask me about the trip home. All I remember is the last thrilling view of the snow-capped mountains before sunset, considerable harmonizing the first night, miles of Texas, a glimpse of the Ozarks, and sleeping. We stayed overnight at Laredo, then Dallas and St. Louis where Peggy and Peter left us. Back in New York, John and I staggered into our apartment Sunday night, fell into bed without even unpacking our bags—and woke up the next morning all ready to take the next bus out. After all, we still had some money—enough to make a nest egg for our next trip. You know, a bantam egg!

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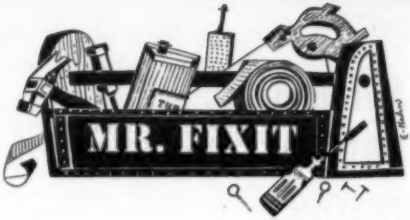

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Q. The land in the rear of our house slopes down towards the house with the result that water is shed down against the foundation wall. We would like to install a retaining wall about twenty feet from the house to ease the situation. We plan a wall only about two feet high, to be constructed of cinder block, but wonder what would be the proper width and depth for the footing. Please advise. T. N.

A. A better method than building a wall would be to form a ditch about eight to ten feet away from the building and diverting the water around the house. Bank dirt so dirt slopes down away from house. This ditch can be sodded to make a turf gutter.

Q. When our house was built several years ago, the attic was finished off with gypsum board and has been left that way ever since. I am in the process of fixing up the attic and when I got ready to paint, I noticed that a few cracks between the boards had widened. Will you please tell me the best way to fill these seams before I begin painting? F. P. L.

A. Most paint and hardware stores carry a cloth masking tape which is particularly made for covering seams between wallboard. If you follow the manufacturer's directions carefully, you can hide the cracks neatly.

Q. We live in the country almost at the end of the electric power line for our area. Despite the fact that our house and barns are fully equipped with lightning rods, every time we have a storm all the lights in the house flicker and we hear a clicking at every switch plate. We have not been able to get any satisfaction from the local electricians or the electric company. Do you have any suggestions on what the trouble might be? Mrs. T. W. M.

A. Frankly, I've never run into such a situation. However, I wonder whether the arrangement of your lightning rods might be at the base of the problem. I would suggest that you write to the United States Government Printing Office in Washington, D. C., and ask them to send you their pamphlet on *Lightning Protection for Rural Buildings.*

Q. I would like to insulate the wall between my older child's room and the baby's nursery in our home. My builder has suggested removing the gypsum board on the wall in the baby's room and installing cotton insulation. Does this sound practical and will this type of insulation deaden sound transmission between the rooms? Mrs. R. L.

A. It is an excellent suggestion and cotton insulation has a decidedly soundproofing quality.

Q. We have repapered the walls in the front rooms of our house several times now and each time, about a month after we finish the job, the paper starts to peel. What should I do? Someone has suggested that I put tar paper on the walls before we tackle the job again. T. P.

A. When you have a moisture problem such as yours, a cardinal principle is to keep water from infiltrating into walls and not try to handle it after it gets in. There must be a leak in the exterior walls of the house. I would recommend that all window openings be recaulked around the frames and that you look carefully into the condition of your roof and chimney flashings.

Don't be a two-word cook

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made by mixing together egg yolks, flour and sugar, then adding scalded milk. This mixture is cooked until it thickens, then one proceeds as with the cream-sauce type. There is a third type of soufflé where both the cream sauce and the pastry cream are completely abandoned and the sustaining powers of the egg alone, together with one's sprinting ability, bring the soufflé to the table before it collapses. Puréed fruit or vegetables are blended with yolks and stiff whites, then poured into a buttered baking dish. This is particularly pleasant when someone else prepares it. For the fortunate blender-owner, all described methods can be eased by puréeing, mashing, or mincing the essences. There is also one method of preparation where all the work, up to the cooking, is accomplished in the blender: more of that later. From here on, you are on your own. Follow the directions as carefully as possible, and once you are basically confident, experiment. The dessert soufflé is a feminine dish in that it likes to be dressed up, to be accompanied with a sauce, to be topped with a sherbet or ice, and to be made more provocative with a spoonful or two of rum or liqueur. It is this propensity for the proper accent that has made the soufflé the *femme fatale* of the kitchen.

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- Combine butter and flour as for spinach soufflé.
- Add milk, stirring constantly. After it has boiled one minute, add egg yolks as in spinach soufflé. Remove from heat, add cheese and stir until it has melted. Cool.
- Add chives, salt and pepper.
- Beat egg whites very stiff, fold in as for spinach soufflé, turn into an ungreased 1½ quart baking dish and place in a pan of hot water. Place in a 375°F. oven and bake for 1 hour.
- If you like decorations, retain one thin slice of Swiss cheese. Cut it into diamond-shaped pieces and lay them on the soufflé according to your fancy.
- Half store cheese, Cheddar or American type, and half grated *Parmesan* cheese can be substituted for the Swiss cheese.

BLENDER SOUFFLÉ

Try a broccoli soufflé in your blender, if you have one. If you don't, fatten up your piggy bank and give yourself a present.

1 cup cooked broccoli
3 tablespoons butter
3 tablespoons flour
¾ cup milk
3 egg yolks
4 egg whites
1 tablespoon grated Parmesan cheese
salt and pepper

- Place milk, broccoli, butter, salt and pepper, egg yolks, flour and cheese in blender container in order given.
- Cover and turn on blender, blend until contents are thoroughly mixed: 1½ minutes.
- Pour blended mixture into saucepan and cook over low heat until hot and thickened, stirring constantly. Let cool.
- Beat egg whites very stiff and fold into the cooled mixture; turn into an ungreased 1½ quart baking dish and place the dish in a pan of water. Put into a 375°F. oven and bake 45 minutes.
- Serves 4.
- Hollandaise goes very well with this.

HAZELNUT OR FILBERT SOUFFLÉ

This is a dessert for a gala day. One package of filberts will do nicely for four or five. If you have more than five guests, do two small soufflés rather than one large one.

1 3-ounce package filberts
2 tablespoons butter
3 tablespoons flour
3 egg yolks
4 egg whites
1 cup milk
⅓ cup sugar
½ teaspoon vanilla
1 teaspoon dark rum

- Put filberts through nut grind-

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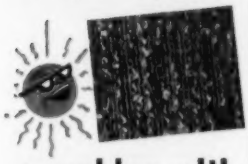

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er; there should be 1¼ cups after grinding.

- Combine butter and flour and cook as for spinach soufflé.
- Add milk and cook as for spinach soufflé.
- Separate eggs, beat sugar with egg yolks until light; add to cream sauce mixture and cook over low heat, stirring constantly, for about 2 minutes. Do not let this mixture boil.
- Remove sauce from heat, let it cool, add ground filberts, vanilla, and rum.
- Fold in stiffly beaten egg whites as in spinach soufflé, turn into ungreased 1½ quart baking dish, place dish in pan of water. Place in a 375°F. oven and bake for 45 minutes.
- Serves 4 to 5.
- Serve with a cup of whipped cream to which two tablespoons of rum have been added.

COFFEE SOUFFLÉ

The flavor of coffee is always pleasant at end of a meal. This is a way to double the pleasure.

3 tablespoons butter
4 tablespoons flour
1 cup milk
2 tablespoons Nescafé
2 tablespoons Myers's rum
4 egg yolks
5 egg whites
¼ teaspoon salt
⅓ cup sugar

- Melt butter in saucepan over low heat.
- Blend in flour until smooth.
- Gradually add milk, stirring constantly until mixture thickens and comes to a boil. Boil for 1 minute.
- Remove from heat; stir in *Nescafé* and rum.
- Beat egg yolks until thick.
- Add *Nescafé* mixture slowly, stirring constantly.
- Beat egg whites and salt until stiff, but not dry, add sugar gradually and continue to beat until stiff and glossy.
- Fold *Nescafé* mixture into egg whites.
- Pour into ungreased 1½ quart casserole; place casserole in pan of hot water. Bake at 375°F. for 45 minutes.

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APRICOT SOUFFLÉ

Fruit soufflés are all made in the same manner with a pastry cream base.

1 pound dried apricots
½ can skinned apricots
1 tablespoon sugar
4 egg yolks
6 egg whites
¼ teaspoon vanilla extract
4 large tablespoons pastry cream (recipe follows)

- Soak the package of dried apricots in enough water to cover for about 3 hours. Drain the skinned apricots.
- When they are soft, put the dried apricots in the blender and mash them to a smooth purée; add the pitted canned apricots at the end, as they are very soft.
- Retain the liquid from the can and the water in which the apricots soaked.
- Combine 1¼ cup of the apricot pulp (use the rest for apricot sauce—at end of pastry cream recipe) with sugar, beaten egg yolks, vanilla, and pastry cream; set aside.
- Beat egg whites very stiff, fold gently into pastry cream mixture and turn into a very well-buttered 1½ quart baking dish. Bake in a 375°F. oven for 35 minutes.
- Serves 6.

PASTRY CREAM

1 cup scalded milk
¼ cup flour
¼ teaspoon cornstarch
⅓ cup sugar
2 egg yolks
¼ teaspoon vanilla

- Mix yolks and sugar, add flour and cornstarch; add milk and vanilla last.
- Cook over low heat, stirring constantly until mixture thickens—about 1 minute. This should be as thick as éclair or cake filling.
- Set aside to cool. This will keep in the refrigerator for several days.

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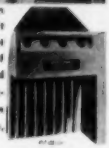

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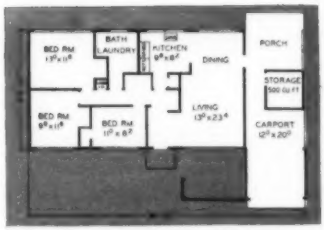

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